

## SERIES TITLE

# RECALCULATING

## SERIES OVERVIEW

When you lose your way, get off track, or find yourself confused, it's time to **RECALCULATE**. That's especially true with our relationship to our money and possessions. Do we possess them or do they possess us? What does our relationship with money reveal about our soul? Join us as we grapple with God's Word and God's wisdom for recalculating our relationship with the stuff He's entrusted to our care.

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# RECALCULATING MY PLAN

## SERMON SUMMARY

In his sermon, Gene discusses the importance of recalculating our financial habits by introducing ten biblical principles for managing money. He emphasized that everything belongs to God and that we should prioritize honoring Him first in our finances, followed by saving, and then joyfully living on the rest of our income. Gene also encouraged seeking wise counsel for major financial decisions and highlights the necessity of distinguishing between wants and needs to avoid the pitfalls of consumerism. Ultimately, he calls us to trust God with our finances, assuring us that these principles can lead to financial freedom and a fulfilling legacy.

## ICE BREAKER

If you could retire anywhere and do anything for the rest of your life, where would it be and what would you be doing?

## DISCUSSION

*Select 3-4 questions from the list below to guide your discussion time.*

1. Read [Psalm 24:1-2](#). Why do you think it can be difficult for people to remember that God owns everything, including their money?

2. Read [Proverbs 14:30](#) and [James 3:16](#). In what ways do you feel pressured to keep up with your friends or peers, and how does that affect your financial choices? What has been the results of giving in to that pressure? What good things have resulted from resisting that pressure?
3. Read [Ecclesiastes 6:9](#). Are there areas where you tend to confuse a want with a need? How have you come to manage that?
4. Have you ever tried to stick to a budget before? What challenges did you face, and how might you overcome those?
5. Read [Proverbs 20:18](#). Consider a recent financial decision you made; did you consult anyone first? How might getting advice have changed your outcome?

#### **WRAP UP & PRAYER**

- Ask for God's guidance to apply the principles discussed in the sermon to their daily finances.
- Pray for wisdom in making any specific financial decisions this coming week.
- Ask for God to help each person trust Him more in their financial planning.
- Share any specific prayer needs from the group members to support each other in their financial journeys.