

# MONEY MOVE\$

## Part 1: How to Manage Your Money

**WEEK OF MAY 9, 2021**

Do you manage your money, or does your money manage you? If you want to learn how to manage your money, learning how to be generous is a great place to start.

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### MESSAGE NOTES AND HIGHLIGHTS

- Generosity is more than random acts of giving.
  - Genuine generosity transcends inspiration and guilt.
  - When you become generous, you'll give more, save more, and consume less.
  - "I think everybody should get rich and famous and do everything they ever dreamed of so they can see that it's not the answer." | Jim Carrey
  - Myth 1: Generosity is spontaneous.
  - Myth 2: Generosity is determined by cash flow.
  - Myth 3: It's the amount that counts.
  - For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have. | 2 Corinthians 8:12
  - Myth 4: Rich people are generous.
  - Rich people are rich; generous people are generous.
  - On the first day of each week, you should each put aside a portion of the money you have earned. | 1 Corinthians 16:2
  - How we manage our money is one of the most important indicators of our spiritual condition.
  - No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money. | Matthew 6:24
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### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What lessons about money did you learn from your parents and/or as you grew up?
2. Who is the most generous person you know?
3. What would you like people to say about your generosity at the end of your life?
4. Consider the four common myths about generosity: that generosity is spontaneous, generosity is determined by cash flow, "it's the amount that counts," and rich people are generous. Which of those four myths have affected you the most when it comes to your own generosity?
5. What steps could you take this week to begin being more generous by being intentional and strategic about it?