

LEAVE BOLDLY

Matthew 25:14-30

7 Principles for Investing your Life

1. **OWNERSHIP:** Everything I have belongs to God.
Matthew 25:14
2. **ALLOCATION:** God has given me some resources.
Matthew 25:15
3. **ACCOUNTABILITY:** God expects a return on his investment in me. Matthew 25:19
4. **UTILIZATION:** It's wrong to bury what God gave me. Matthew 25:18, 26-27
5. **MOTIVATION:** Fear keeps me from developing my talents and abilities. Matthew 25:24-25
6. **APPLICATION:** If I don't use it, I lose it.
Matthew 25:28
7. **COMPENSATION:** If I use my resources wisely, God will reward me. Matthew 25:23

One Month to Live – WEEK 5

Going Deeper Small Group Discussion Questions

(from Days 23-27)

Read Matthew 25:14-30.

1. For what would you like to be remembered? How are you contributing to this goal right now? How long will this legacy last?
2. Read Ephesians 5:15-17. According to these verses, what is the secret to leaving a legacy of substance?
3. If you looked at your calendar from the past month...how much time are you spending on temporary goals versus how much on an eternal legacy? Looking at your financial statements, how much money are you spending on temporary things versus eternal investments?
4. Is it possible to live in such a way that the impact of our lives is felt forever?
Read Psalm 145:4.
5. How much time did you spend this week reading God's Word compared to the time you spent reading the newspaper or watching television?
6. What are some of your nonessential commitments, responsibilities and obligations that may be worthwhile but will not last for eternity? How can you transition some of these out of your schedule?
7. What are some values you hope to leave behind?
8. What daily chores, routines, or responsibilities seem ceaseless in your life? Is it difficult to keep these up when it feels like no one notices?
9. In what area of your life are you currently experiencing the most pressure? How have you responded to it so far? How might God be using it to build your character?
10. When was the last time you experienced a life collision, a season or experience in which you found yourself coming apart at the seams? How did you respond to it? How will you respond to the next collision differently?
11. Read Proverbs 3:5-6. On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being totally following your will and 10 being totally following God's will, where are you presently? In what areas of your life do you see the greatest discrepancy between your will and His – relationships, finances, spiritual growth, something else?
12. How important is comfort to you at this stage of your life? What convenience would be the hardest for you to give up?
13. How often do you let opportunities pass you by because your contribution feels too small?