

## Discussion Guide

### *MINE: wk3 Where Do You Put Your Hope?*

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#### Big Idea

Right attitude & action regarding money allows us to put our trust and hope in God more.



#### Icebreaker

With Christmas season approaching, each Revive Wesleyan Campus has presented, and will continue to present, several ways (i.e. Operation Christmas Child, Holiday Parades, Caroling, etc.) to get involved in being a generous church. Are there any opportunities that you are, or will participate in with the church? Which ones? Is there one we could do together as a group?



#### Discussion Questions

1. What are some things (other than God) that people put their hope in? How or why are these ways misguided? What things in your past have you put too much hope in only to be let down?
2. Read 1 Timothy 6:17. According to this verse what is an uncertain thing to do? Do you have a personal story that confirms this (for example do you have a story where you had some security in money but lost it)? When we become arrogant with how much we have or what we have, the gift takes the place of the Giver. What does this mean in your own words? What happens to us emotionally & to our outlook on life if we lose the gift when arrogance is our attitude?
3. Read 1 Timothy 6:18-19. When we are generous with our money and open our hearts to those in need it was described in the sermon as a triple win where...1) we personally experience a true satisfaction that our soul craves, 2) our generous God is pleased as we imitate His generosity, 3) the recipient is blessed. Have you ever been generous with the giving of your money and yourself to someone in need? If so, what was that like and do you agree with it being a triple win?
4. Read Malachi 3:10. Share an example where you gave of your money obediently &/or sacrificially (beyond your comfort) to God's work through the church only to see Him provide for and take care of you with the remainder.
5. This statement was made in the sermon: *When you tithe, you are providing for the financial needs of our church, and in doing so, you are empowering all of us to address the spiritual poverty of our community.* Discuss ways (with specific examples if possible) that Revive Wesleyan (which means all of us together as a church) generously addresses the spiritual poverty of our community. Can you see the triple win within these ways?



#### Concluding Question

Between you and God (unless you want to share) what are you perhaps feeling called to step up to regarding your financial giving to the church: Regular Giving (an amount to give every pay period)? OR Percentage Giving (a percent to give every pay period)? OR Tithing (giving 10% every pay period)? OR Sacrificial Giving (beyond the 10% every pay period or as a one-time gift over and above your 10%)? If married...discuss the leading with your spouse first, pray together regarding it, and then come together with the goal of agreeing with how to move forward.



#### Application

1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
2. What is something God wants you to do now?
3. Is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?



Prayer Praise God for our Veterans and pray for they & their families.