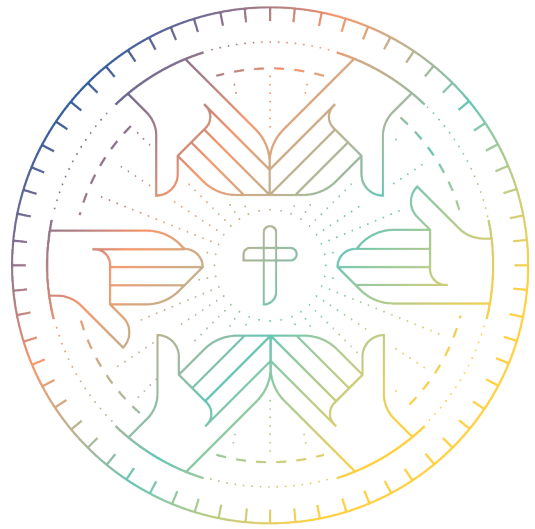


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SMALL GROUP GUIDE

Mine or Yours?: “Wealth is Not the Problem”
Scripture Focus: 1 Kings 17:8-16

ICEBREAKER

What’s something small that God has provided recently that reminded you of His care?

OR

When you think about “wealth,” what’s one word that comes to mind (e.g., blessing, responsibility, danger, opportunity), and why?

SERMON SUMMARY

Wealth itself is not the problem—greed is. God entrusts resources to us to steward, not to hoard. In 1 Kings 17, Elijah and the widow show us that God directs our resources, tests our trust in times of scarcity, calls us to put Him first, and faithfully provides for our daily needs. True contentment and confidence come when we live the way God intends, seeing money as a gift that points us back to Him.

Discussion Starter: What part of this week’s message stood out to you most, and why?

INTO THE WORD

Read 1 Kings 17:8–9. Why is it important to recognize that God directs our resources? How might this perspective change the way we view both abundance and need?

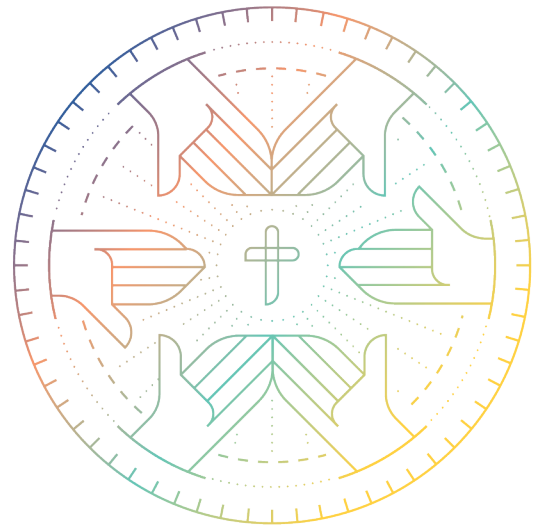
Read 1 Kings 17:10–12, Deuteronomy 8:17–18, and Matthew 6:26-33. How does scarcity test our trust in God? In what ways are we tempted to rely on our own strength instead of acknowledging God as the source?

Read 1 Kings 17:13 and James 1:16–17. Why does God call us to put Him first with what we have? How can generosity break the hold of greed in our lives? Where do you find it hardest to trust God with “first” (time, finances, relationships, priorities), and what would it look like to surrender that area?

Read 1 Kings 17:14–16 and Ecclesiastes 5:19. How does acknowledging God’s daily provision grow contentment and confidence? What helps you notice and celebrate God’s provision in your own life?

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EMBRACE AND EMBODY

This week as you seek God daily, practice noticing God's provision. Keep a short journal—each day, write down at least one way God has provided (financially, relationally, spiritually, or physically). At the end of the week, reflect on how this shaped your confidence in Him over your circumstances.

Reflection Question: Where might God be calling you to trust Him more fully with your resources?

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Lord, we thank You that whether our resources are plenty or scarce, we can trust You are in control and will provide. Please help us to daily place our confidence in You and not our stuff. As we obey and choose to steward well all that you have entrusted to us, help our faith in You to become stronger and our witness to others to grow brighter. In Jesus' name, Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Stewardship Survey: Don't forget to take the Stewardship Survey this week—it will help you reflect on how you're trusting God with your finances. The link is available on the Fairhaven App.