

WHAT WOULD \$100 SAY ABOUT YOU?
Selected Old & New Testament Scripture

Today we will be speaking about one of the touchiest subjects in Church, money?

Why is it so touchy?

- I think it is because many do not know the truth about money (**Bible**).

So, what should our “heart’s desire” be here at Beach Beacon? I think Jesus answers that question for us in **Matthew 6** in what we call the Lord’s prayer. We see Jesus speak these words,

**Our Father who is in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
‘Your kingdom come.
Your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
‘Give us this day our daily bread.
‘And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
‘And do not lead us into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the
kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.
Matthew 6:9-13**

I want to highlight the phrase, “*Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*”

- That means that we as a Church must put aside our personal preferences and simply pray that God would reveal the plans for us that are on His drawing board in heaven.

There are times that I do not know that to pray as to the outcome of a situation and the Lord has taught me to simply pray those words of Jesus over that request, “*Let whatever Your will in heaven is about this matter be done here on earth.*”

So, the question for us today is this, what is God’s plan for Beach Beacon in heaven?

Is it to stay as we are right now?

We start dying when we stop changing. – Beth Moore

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- How much of this belongs to the Lord – **Psalm 24:1 / Luke 16:1-2**
 - The Wall Street Journal contained this quote, “*money can be used a universal passport to anywhere except heaven. It is a universal provider for everything except happiness.*”
- So, let’s say that we give \$10 to the needs of the saints as it says in **Romans 12.**
 - Does that mean that I have \$90 to spend as I please?
 - Well we have Annie Armstrong as our Acts 1:8 Ministry Focus for this month.
 - So, let’s say that you are generous and give another 10% to Annie that leaves you with \$81 that I can spend as I please.
- So, you have \$81 how much of that would God have you give to the Pledge Drive? Only you can answer that question.
- So, who are the ones who will give to this New Pledge Drive I think those that have a mindset similar to Elizabeth Dole, former Secretary of Transportation “*Life is not just a few years to spend on self-indulgence and career advancement. It is a privilege, a responsibility, and a stewardship to be lived according to a much higher calling.*”
- **Exodus 35:20-29**
 - Notice that **verse 21** says that those whose “heart stirred him” and “whose spirit moved him”.
 - Did that just happen suddenly, no I think that as the congregation prayed God began to lay on their hearts what they should give to the building of the tent of the meeting.
 - Look at what they brought as a gift:
 - Notice that their gifts were called “freewill offering”.

Imagine for a second if each of us would do just what God has asked us to do.

- We would witness **Exodus 36:3-7**
- Notice that it said that “*the people were bringing in much more*” than enough for the work to be done.
- “*Thus, the people were restrained from bringing any more.*”

So, what would it take for us to experience that here at Beach Beacon –

“Stewardship is not leaving a tip on Gods tablecloth; it is the confession of an unpayable debt at Gods Calvary.”