





**Sermon Text: Luke 16:1–13**

**Date: February 22, 2026**

**Sermon Title: The Use of Money**

**Main Idea: We should use our money in preparation for eternity.**

**Breaking the Ice**

- Describe an example of someone who used money in a manner that clearly emphasized eternity.

**Excavating the Truth**

- Reread Luke 16:1–13
- The words “welcome” in verse 4 and “receive” in verse 9 (NASB) are the same Greek word. How does this wordplay aid the understanding of verse 9?
  
- The phrase, “No servant can serve two masters,” in verse 13 is literally, “No household slave can serve (as a slave) two masters.” How does such a literal translation help explain Jesus’ point?

### **Applying the Truth Personally**

- What is an example of a time when I regret not using my money for eternity? What can I learn from this experience?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- What specific things about my use of money demonstrate to others that Jesus is my ultimate Master? What things convey the opposite message to people?

### **Applying the Truth Congregationally**

- How does our church display a shared commitment to using our money for eternity? What might give a contrary impression?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- What can we do to help each other become better stewards of the money that God has entrusted to each of us?

## **Digging Deeper**

- The word “master” in verse 8a is the Greek word for “lord/master” that is often used to refer to Jesus as Lord. How would the interpretation of the parable change if verse 8a were translated, “And the Lord praised ...”?
  
- Use a concordance and develop a list of verses that address the topic of money. Write out principles that will help you live in a way that will not allow money to become your master.

## **Looking Ahead**

- Read Luke 16:14–17 daily.