



Happy Friday DFMC Church,

People get nervous when we talk about money. And to their credit, the church doesn't have a very good track-record when it comes to money. And yet, most of our issues in life can be traced to our relationship with money and how it can control us, manipulate us, and even become a god we serve. And so, I totally understand the stress that comes with talking about money - but I also believe this: **that Faith and Finances are connected - we just don't want to admit it.**

Most of us tell our money what to do and where to go. We are the boss of our money, and we are in charge of our finances. However, in our new series: **If Money Talked** - we plan to flip the money conversation and imagine what our finances would say about us. The series starts this Sunday at 10:30am, when we will invite Jesus into our money conversation. **Jesus gave us a strong warning to avoid one thing when it comes to our money.** We assume we're doing a pretty good job staying away from it, but one simple question may show us otherwise. We would love to have you in-the-house this weekend, but if you are traveling, please worship online at dfmchurch.org or on the DFMC app (dfmchurch.org/get-the-app).

Plan to engage your generosity during this series. We will be highlighting a "Generosity Offering" every week to boost our church's ministries and help you put a few financial principles into practice; here's the special offering schedule: Feb-5: General Budget; Feb-12: Benevolence Fund; Feb-19: Building Fund; Feb-26: Missionaries. We also will be receiving our weekly offering at the end of the worship service - but you can always give online at dfmchurch.org or on the DFMC app (dfmchurch.org/get-the-app).

I am looking forward to celebrating and learning with you! See you on Sunday!

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PS - As an extra benefit, **Chris Debacker, a financial advisor with Free Methodist Financial Services**, will be here on Sunday. He will share shortly about the ways he can serve you - and you can set an appointment to talk with him concerning estate planning, retirement savings, ethical investing, and other money topics.