



Sunday, March 6, 2022

**Sermon Series:
James: A Practical Faith that Works**

Title: *What's in Your Wallet?*

Text: James 5:1-6

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Big Idea: The Biblical principles of money management are not so much about the contents of our wallets, but the integrity of our attitudes toward our wallet.

Four “wallet practices” that invite blessing and avoid misery:

- 1) Practice **caution** with what is in your wallet. (Psalm 24:1 / James 5:1-3)
- 2) Practice **character** with what is in your wallet.
(James 5:4 / Exodus 3:7 / Isaiah 66:2 / Colossians 2:6-7)
- 3) Practice **contentment** with what is in your wallet.
(James 5:5 / 1 Timothy 6:6-7 / Philippians 4:11-13)
- 4) Practice **compassion** with what is in your wallet. (James 6:6 / Matthew 9:36 & 24:40)

Study/Application Questions and Actions:

- 1) List the three most treasured things in your wallet, purse, or cell phone. Why did you choose those?
- 2) What cautions about “collecting stuff” do you wish you had learned earlier in life? When does having too much stuff start affecting your walk with God?
- 3) Do you agree that practicing character with your wallet means it is never too late to try to make things right? Are there any exceptions?
- 4) Feelings of wanting more happen quickly, so how can you make godly contentment with what you have a daily value when you start wanting more?
- 5) If I am already tithing, do I still need to be aware of showing compassion with my wallet? Why or why not? How could the compassion of Jesus on the cross help motivate me to place compassion in my “wallet attitude?”