



Discussion Guide  
Red Letter Challenge — Part 5  
PARTICIPANT GUIDE

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**"You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving."**

[Amy Carmichael, Irish missionary]

### ENGAGE & CONNECT

How has someone gone out of their way to unexpectedly bless you with their money or belongings? What impact did that make on you?

### **\*OPTIONAL\*** DEVOTIONAL RECAP

What is one thing that God taught you, convicted you of, or invited you to begin doing as you read the devotional last week?

### BEGIN WITH PRAYER

Spend a moment praying this passage, beginning your time together in humility and gratitude!

*"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand."*

[1 Chronicles 29:14]

### BIG IDEA

Jesus invites His followers to do something with their money and possessions, keeping a right view of God and His kingdom in mind.

### PASSAGE & DISCUSSION

**Luke 12:22-34**

1. In the sermon we heard, *"The heart follows (pursues and seeks) what it values and prizes."* How have you seen your heart lead you down the wrong path, especially as it pertains to money?
2. What does it mean to "consider the ravens" and "the lilies"? (v. 24 & 27) How can reflecting on creation help reduce our anxiety about material needs?
3. What might it look like to trust God for provision while still being responsible stewards of what we have?
4. How does fear and anxiety about the future affect your ability to be generous? How can focusing on God's generosity help you overcome fear and anxiety in your daily life?
5. How can you better align your spending habits with Kingdom values?
6. How can we cultivate a heart that treasures God's Kingdom above earthly wealth?

7. How does Jesus redefine the concept of "reward"? How should this influence the way we approach life?
8. In what ways can we use our material resources to reflect God's Kingdom here on earth?
9. How does fear manifest in your life when it comes to finances? What would it look like to trust God more deeply in this area?
10. How might your life change if you truly embraced the belief that "where your treasure is, there your heart will be also"?

## STEP OF OBEDIENCE

Jesus motivates our giving because of the surpassing value of God and His Kingdom! Based on the Holy Spirit's wisdom, what is a step of obedience that you can take in this area of your life? Here are a few additional questions to consider so we become yoked to Jesus with our giving and generosity ...

- How can you **trust** in a sufficient and gracious King more clearly?
- How can you seek a better and lasting **reward** from the Lord?
- How can you **use** your money to help His will be done on earth?
- How can your giving and generosity **demonstrate** what you really value?

## PRAYER FOCUS

### Kingdom Generosity

- Let's take a moment to reflect on Jesus' invitation to use our money and possessions wisely, with our hearts focused on God's kingdom. Jesus teaches us that everything we have is a gift from God for His glory and the good of others. He calls us to live with generosity, humility, and trust in His provision, knowing that our true treasure is in heaven.
- Let's pray for wisdom in how we manage what God has given us, having open hands and hearts to bless others. Let's ask God to shape our perspective, so we can live as faithful stewards, always remembering that He is our ultimate provider and source of security.

## MEMORY VERSE

*"Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain fell, the rivers rose, and the winds blew and pounded that house. Yet it didn't collapse, because its foundation was on the rock.*

(Matthew 7:24-25)

## RLC RESOURCES

- [Rock Bridge WEBSITE](#)
- [Red Letter Disciple PODCAST](#)
- [Red Letter Commitment Card](#)

- During the final week of the Red letter Challenge (October 20), we will invite YOU to commit to taking a next step in one (or more) of the areas we focused on. We hope you'll begin praying NOW about what step God is inviting you to take!