This Way

Wisdom from Proverbs

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FINANCIAL FREEDOM
WISDOM FOR OUR LIFE TODAY
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

START THINKING. Ask this question to get your LifeGroup thinking.

• Ask if someone is willing to share their personal financial journey specifically concerning generosity.

START TALKING. Ask these questions to get your LifeGroup talking.

• What are your thoughts about this statement: 'The primary reason as Christians we want to be financially free is not for comfort or security, it is so we can be generous and available.'?

• Our priorities often determine the extent of our financial freedom, contentment, and generosity even more than whether we are prosperous or in need.
How can the following verses help us keep a healthy perspective on our priorities?
Deuteronomy 8:17-18, Proverbs 23:4-5, Luke 16:10-13, Jeremiah 9:23-24

Read Malachi 3:7-12

• Pastor Matt said that "giving off the top" is both an act of thanking God for his current provision AND a way of trusting him for future provision. Yet, throughout history, many of God's people have given to his work primarily out of what is left over rather than off the top. What surprises you about God's attitude toward this practice?

• What is most challenging to you about "giving off the top" or "first fruits"?

• There aren't too many people who would want to be known as greedy or stingy with their time, money or possessions. That's why the enemy works subtly, yet powerfully, to blind us to the benefits and simplicity of generosity and serving others. What motivations and/or strategies do the following verses give to encourage us to be generous and serve others?

2 Corinthians 9:6-9, Galatians 6:9-10, Matthew 25:31-46

START SHARING. Ask this question to get your LifeGroup sharing.

• What is the biggest challenge you have to being generous both in meeting needs and to God's Kingdom?

START PRAYING.

Pray together as a group, asking God to help you take needed steps toward financial freedom so that you can become generous and available.