



“If you continue in My word,  
then are you My **Disciples InDeed...**”

### You Can Only Have One Master!

**Matthew 6:24** “No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.”

In our last lesson we looked at how the “evil eye” of covetousness brings great darkness into our lives and leads us down a road of spiritual destruction. Now Jesus uses the analogy of a servant and master to help us to understand what our relationship to mammon (money and stuff) should be.

1. Why is it true that we can only serve one master?

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2. What are some examples of how having money as your master will conflict with serving God and vice versa? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How can we tell which of the two is our master?

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For most people the money and stuff we have access to comes through our daily labors that we receive pay for. The 40-50 hrs a week we spend on that is the single largest use of the time that we have been given by God on this earth. In a very real way, our money represents the energy of our lives.

4. What then does how we spend that money reveal about us? \_\_\_\_\_

5. We tend to think that the money we make is ours because of our cleverness, diligence or skills, but where did God tell the Israelites their wealth came from in Deut. 9:17-18? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What does I Cor 4:7 teach us about where our finances come from and how we should view them?

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7. How did the early church in Jerusalem view their finances? (Acts 4:32) \_\_\_\_\_

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8. What did Jesus say to Satan when he offered Him all that the world had to offer in Matt 4:8-10? \_\_\_\_\_

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9. In Matthew 22:36-38 Jesus told the lawyer what the greatest commandment is. How does the greatest commandment relate to this idea that we can only serve one master? \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Am I a “Disciple InDeed”?

1. If someone would look at the register of my checkbook, who would they say I’m serving with my finances?
2. Do I believe that everything I have has been given to me by God, or do I think that my diligence, cleverness or skill brought it to me?
3. What is my primary consideration in the financial decisions I make? Is it, “how will this please God?” or is it “what’s in it for me?”

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#### Doers of the Word

What has God spoken to me today?

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“...And you shall know The Truth,  
and The Truth shall **make you Free!**”

