

This Facilitator Guide will help you lead conversation with your LIFE Group. Review the Guide beforehand, and test your audio/video setup if you plan to show the Recap Video. Note: [Brackets] indicate simple cues for you as a Facilitator, not necessarily to be read aloud. When you're ready, begin with the Conversation Starter.

CONVERSATION STARTER

What do you wish you would've done differently with your money 5 or 10 years ago?

Play the **Recap Video**. If you are unable to do so, move to the Discussion Questions.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Question 1: Read Proverbs 22:7. The writer states that the borrower is a slave to—even controlled by—the lender. What are possible signs that money is in control of you?

- A. *I'm always concerned that I don't have enough.*
- B. *"What's another \$50 on my credit card?"*
- C. *Thinking you'll feel better if you just buy _____.*
- D. *Spending money before you actually have it.*

Question 2: Jason talked about how purchasing something on credit today can become a trap in the future. What do you have your eye on now that could become a money trap down the road?

Question 3: Read Matthew 6:24-34. Jesus indicates that money is a spiritual issue. Given the way you handle money today, how is that affecting your relationship with God? With others?

Question 4: God is not merely against debt, He is for freedom. What is the first step that you can take to move toward financial freedom?

- A. *Cut up a credit card.*
- B. *Ask someone you trust to look over your finances with you.*
- C. *Sign-up for Financial Peace University.*
- D. *Talk to your spouse/parent about your financial priorities.*

CONVERSATION WRAP-UP

Plan it: Whatever your next step is, don't wait to get around to it. Take the first step by choosing a date and place to do what you need to do, then make your move toward freedom.