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**Bible Study – January 10, 2018**  
**“Between Debt & The Devil,” Pt. 1**

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In order for the Child of God to take full command over our finances, live a life free from the bondage of debt, we must first learn God’s principles of Financial Stewardship, and seek to diligently apply them in our lives.

In addition to understanding the principles in God’s word, we need to be acutely aware that there are systems in place and forces at work to cause us to fall into pitfalls that will impede our financial health and success.

I. What Does Scripture Say About Debt

Proverbs 22:7; Romans 13:8; Deut 15:6; 1 Kings 4: 1-7

II. *In Debt We Trust* documentary

III. Questions for discussion

- a. What stands out to you from the film about the centrality of debt in our culture?
- b. Can you relate to anything in the film (either personally or in terms of what you’ve seen in the lives of others) relating to debt?
- c. Do you feel you will ever be able to get out of debt?

8 Reasons Debt Is Bad for You

#1 Debt \_\_\_\_\_ you to \_\_\_\_\_ than you can \_\_\_\_\_.

#2 \_\_\_\_\_ on debt results in a \_\_\_\_\_ price

#3 Debt is \_\_\_\_\_ from your \_\_\_\_\_ income.

#4 Debt keeps you from \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ goals.

#5 Too much debt can be a \_\_\_\_\_ to owning a \_\_\_\_\_.

#6 Debt can lead to \_\_\_\_\_ and serious \_\_\_\_\_ problems.

#7 Debt can hurt your \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

#7 Debt \_\_\_\_\_ your credit score.

#8 The \_\_\_\_\_ Does Not Exist.

[Exodus 22:25](#)

“If you lend money to any of my people with you who is poor, you shall not be like a moneylender to him, and you shall not exact interest from him.

[Psalm 15:5](#)

Who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things shall never be moved.

[Ezekiel 18:13](#)

Lends at interest, and takes profit; shall he then live? He shall not live. He has done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon himself.

[Proverbs 28:8](#)

Whoever multiplies his wealth by interest and profit gathers it for him who is generous to the poor.

[Ezekiel 18:8](#)

Does not lend at interest or take any profit, withholds his hand from injustice, executes true justice between man and man.

The reason God forbade the taking of interest is because THE INTEREST DOES NOT EXIST.

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