**The Use of Money and Material Things:**

**Greed vs. Stewardship**

**What is Greed, and what are some of its consequences?**

The love of money, for the pleasure it buys **Ecc 5- 10-14 Luke 16: 13-14**

**1 Tim 6: 7-10 Heb 13: 5**

Believing we can find security in money **Ex 20: 17 Prov 11: 28**

**Luke 12: 15-21 Luke 18: 18-23**

Closing our eyes and hardening hearts to those in need **Deut 15: 7-11 Prov 28: 27**

Incurring the punishing wrath of God **Isaiah 10: 1-2**

**What is resourcefulness, and what good will it do for us?**

Tithing – setting aside the first fruits to **Prov 3: 9-10 Malachi 3: 8-10**

acknowledge God ownership **Matt 6: 19-21**

Generous giving to others **Prov 11:25, 19:4 Prov 28:27**

**Luke 6: 35-38 Acts 20: 35**

Appreciating what it’s like to be poor **Matt 6: 1-4 Luke 14: 12-14**

**Luke 16: 19-31 I Cor 13:3**

**I John 3: 16-17**

Having the less fortunate over for dinner **Luke 14: 12-14 James 2: 1-16**

Living simply, appreciating the free things of life **Matt 6: 31-33 Phil 4: 11-12**

**What are the advantages and dangers of being rich? of being poor?**

What are the advantages of wealth? **Prov 14: 20-24 Ecc 5: 19-20**

What are the dangers and warnings of wealth? **Jer 5: 27-29; 9:23 Luke 18: 24-27**

Are wealthy people more likely to be **I Tim 6: 17-19 Luke 18: 18-23**

spiritually poor (greedy)? Yes . . . **Luke 6: 20-21 Luke 6: 24-25**

Why is that? **Matt 6: 19-21**

What is “the deceitfulness of riches”? **Deut 8: 7-14, and 17-18**

(God and spirituality are forgotten.) **Matt 13:22 Luke 12: 15-21**

What are the disadvantages of poverty? **Prov 19: 6-7**

What is an advantage of poverty?

(None practically, but God will deliver them)