

**In Progress: Spirit, Soul & Body**  
**- Lust of the Eyes: Desire for more stuff -**

**1. Sovereignty-** God owns everything in our world and uses it all for the purpose of building His kingdom.

*1 John 2:15-17; Genesis 39:1-9; Psalm 24:1*

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**2. Success-** Success in the Kingdom means to become mature managers of everything God blesses us with. *1 Timothy 6:17-19*

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**3. Sufficiency-** Believing that God will provide all we need as we manage His resources is where we find contentment and peace of mind. *1 Timothy 6:6-10*

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**4. Significance-** The healthy motivation for wealth is to be God's solution to help those in need and participate in His plan. *1 John 3:16-20; Matthew 6:19-24; 2 Corinthians 9:6-9*

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**5 Practical Truths for Tithing:**

**1-Tithing battles** the craving for more stuff.

**2-Tithing participates** in God's plan to help care for the community.

**3-Tithing helps** everyone be involved in the Great Commission.

**4-Tithing keeps** our doors open and our lights on.

**5-Tithing pays** for the work of the ministry.

**Next week's reading guide:**

Isaiah 14:12-15, Psalm 9:10

Ephesians 2:1-10

Proverbs 3:1-35

Psalm 28:6-8, Psalm 34:1-10

Isaiah 31:1-3, Psalm 37:1-9

Lamentations 3:22-27

2 Corinthians 1:3-12, Psalm 40:1-5

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Do you see God as sovereign and owner of everything in the world? Does how you live reflect this belief? Discuss.

2. How are you doing as a mature manager of all God has entrusted to you? Give some examples.

3. Do you trust more in God's sufficiency or money's security? Discuss.

4. Are you experiencing the significance that comes from using your wealth to build the Kingdom and help others? Can you give an example?

5. What practical truth of tithing is most compelling to you? Why?