

# Money Morality: Spending with a Conscience

**Life Steps** | Oct. 31 & Nov. 1, 2015

## **Day 1**

**Matthew 25:14-30**

What is the warning that comes to us in this parable? How does this challenge you, particularly in regard to how you use your resources?

## **Day 2**

**Isaiah 55**

Put verse 2 into your own words. What wisdom does this offer in regard to how we spend our money?

## **Day 3**

**Genesis 25:19-34**

Why would Esau sell something as valuable as his birthright for a bowl of soup? How do you relate to him?

## **Day 4**

**Deuteronomy 8**

This is some of the instruction that the people were given long before they settled in the land. What wisdom does it offer us in light of how we understand and use our resources?

## **Day 5**

**Ecclesiastes 5:8-20**

What does this say about the pursuit of wealth and the distortion of our priorities? How does this passage challenge you?

## **Day 6**

**Isaiah 58**

What does it mean in verse 3 when it says that on the day of your fasting, "you do as you please and exploit all your workers"? In making your purchases, how often do you consider the treatment of the workers involved? Should this impact how we spend our money? Explain.

## **Day 7**

**Hosea 4**

This is a difficult passage. How does it challenge you in regard to your spending habits? The end of verse 6 says that God's people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge. Spend some time educating yourself on the issues of fair trade and human trafficking at the websites listed below.

· [humaneeducation.org/blog/2013/04/03/5-tips-keeping-sweatshop-free-closet](http://humaneeducation.org/blog/2013/04/03/5-tips-keeping-sweatshop-free-closet)

· [slaveryfootprint.org](http://slaveryfootprint.org)

## **Upcoming Classes**

- 1) Debt Elimination Workshop **November 1**
- 2) Developing A Budget Workshop **November 8**
- 3) Long Term Savings and Retirement Planning **TBD**
- 4) College Financial Prep 101 **TBD**