

2023 Aim Check-in

- Becoming disciples who make disciples, who make disciples.
 - Creating a community of faith that meaningfully engages our community of residence.
1. In the time since you last met as a H2H group, have you made any movement towards the aims we've set for 2023?
 2. How might we as a H2H group help support or encourage you towards these aims?

Discussion Questions Set #1

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness! No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money." (Matthew 6:19-24)

"It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." (Matthew 19:24).

"Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." (Hebrews 13:5)

1. It's likely no secret that we live in a consumeristic culture. Thinking of consumerism more widely than just as a facet of our finances, what impact does this have upon:
 - a. how we approach involvement in the community?
 - b. how we approach involvement in church?
 - c. how we approach our faith?
2. Scripture discusses issues of money and finances more than concepts like faith and practices like prayer. Why do you think money is such a significant spiritual issue? How have you seen the issue of love of money impact someone's faith?
3. What do you think Jesus meant by His teaching in Matthew 19:24?
4. What are some ways that we might yet be blind to the influence of sin in our approach to earthly wealth? Of what are we not as perceptive in our approach to earthly wealth?

Discussion Questions Set #2

"Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Luke 12:32–34)

1. Discuss the following quote: "we can drift into a love of money when we find ourselves discontent with God's presence with us".
2. What happens when we place a love of money before a love of God or others?
3. What might keep us from appropriately treasuring God and others?
4. Do you think that followers of Jesus are well taught to treasure others? Why or why not?
5. What might it look like to treasure another in a practical sense?
6. Think about your H2H group. How might you practically treasure one another? How might you as a H2H group practically treasure others outside of your group?