

## Big G Versus Little g

### The Story Of Our Lives:

Luke 18:18-30, Matthew 19:22

- Rich
- Young
- Ruler

### What The Bible Says About Money:

2 Corinthians 8:1-5, 9:6-12, 1 Timothy 6:6-19, Proverbs 3:9-10, 21:20, Philippians 4:14-19  
Mark Driscoll "Luke's Gospel"

**Do:** Work hard – Tithe – Spend – Save – Invest – Give generously

**Don't:** Love it – Put hope in it – Be enslaved by it

### How To Find Our Idols:

Luke 18:23-25, Matthew 6:19-24, James 1:16-17, 1 Timothy 6:17

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**Worship** = What we love and pursue most  
with our heart and actions

- ❶ What is it that consumes my life?
- ❷ What do I manipulate God to get?
- ❸ What am I consumed about keeping?
- ❹ What would destroy me if I lost it?

### Two Things to Remember:

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1. This weekend we heard that getting rid of the "idols" in our life does not mean to diminish our pursuit of success. In fact, our drive to be successful is part of how God has made us. How do the following passages reinforce this reality?

Proverbs 14:23-24

Ecclesiastes 10:10

Colossians 3:23-24

Ephesians 2:10

2. How do the following verses help us evaluate our pursuit of success and ensure that we're keeping our priorities in order?

Philippians 3:7-14; 4:10-13

Proverbs 3:3-4

Matthew 22:34-39

Are there any adjustments you need to make?

3. There's no question our "idol issues" can go far beyond our finances and material possessions. Yet, money and materialism are often idols that trip us up. How do the following verses help us keep our perspective of money and wealth in balance?

Deuteronomy 8:18

Ecclesiastes 5:19

Luke 12:15

1 Timothy 6:17-18

Do you need to make any changes in your attitude toward money and the pursuit of it?