



**Sermon Outline**  
**August 12, 2018**  
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**A Dud Bud  
Becomes  
A Shrewd Dude**

**Luke 16:1-15**

*Wealth is not the issue.  
It's not how much you have.  
It's how much your wealth has of you.  
Because the more wealth has of you,  
the greater the danger to your soul.*

**Jesus considered money/wealth to be  
both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Matthew 13:22** - The seed falling among the thorns refers to someone who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful.

**You loosen money's grip on you by  
loosening \_\_\_\_\_ on it.**

*"Being a Christian is not about being perfect, it's about getting better each day. It's identifying the things we've claimed for ourselves that we need to transfer to God for His possible use. We've held on tight for fear that we might lose it, but by being able to live with it freely, by releasing it to God, we'll see what He wants to do with it." - C.S. Lewis*

**Series Theme verse:**

**Matthew 16:26** - What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?

**Observations:**

- 1) Worldly people often demonstrate more \_\_\_\_\_ than spiritual people.**
- 2) Worldly wealth makes a difference for eternity when we use it for the \_\_\_\_\_ of others.**
- 3) If you're not generous with what you \_\_\_\_\_, you won't be generous if you get more.**

**Take-a-ways:**

- 1) God knows \_\_\_\_\_ what I'm doing with His resources.**
- 2) If I'm not faithful with what I have now, I won't be faithful with \_\_\_\_\_.**
- 3) One of God's measures of spiritual maturity is my \_\_\_\_\_ of money.**

**Three important paradigms to cultivate:**

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ God.**
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ wisely.**
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ generously.**

*"I've never seen great wealth do much for someone's character unless it is given away." - David Green*