
Equipping the Next Generation (and the Leaders who Serve Them) – Week 5

TAKING CHARGE OF YOUR MONEY-MINDSET

1 Timothy 6:6-10; 17-19

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Introduction: This morning, we're nearing the end of our series called *Equipping the Next Generation – and the Leaders who Serve Them*. Hopefully, by now, you've caught our heart. Our strong desire is to train a rising generation of kids and teens to live abundantly under the reign of Jesus. But our vision is not limited to young people. At the same time, we aspire to see adults grow as equippers of the next generation, both by their example and in their words. This is crucial in our current historical milieu. More than ever before, parents face complex challenges in raising their children. Churches, likewise, face thorny challenges in supporting parents as they disciple their kids. In spite of these obstacles, we resolutely stand on Jesus' promise: "*On this rock, I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*" That promise was fulfilled in the 1st century, and Jesus' promise still applies today. When we, as a body of believers, collectively stand on that promise, we believe God will breakthrough and do good things in our midst. Today, I want to talk about the financial component of our vision. When Paul writes his first letter to Timothy, he spends five chapters equipping him for leadership over the house-churches in Ephesus. Then in chapter six, Paul equips Timothy to lead well in the area of finances. This morning I want to talk about how finances fit into our vision of equipping the next generation.

1. **A common problem**

1 Timothy 6:6-11

2. **A way forward** – Five core habits that affect time and eternity

1 Timothy 6:17-19

3. The responsibility of the church

1 Timothy 6:11-16

4. Idea

5. Takeaways