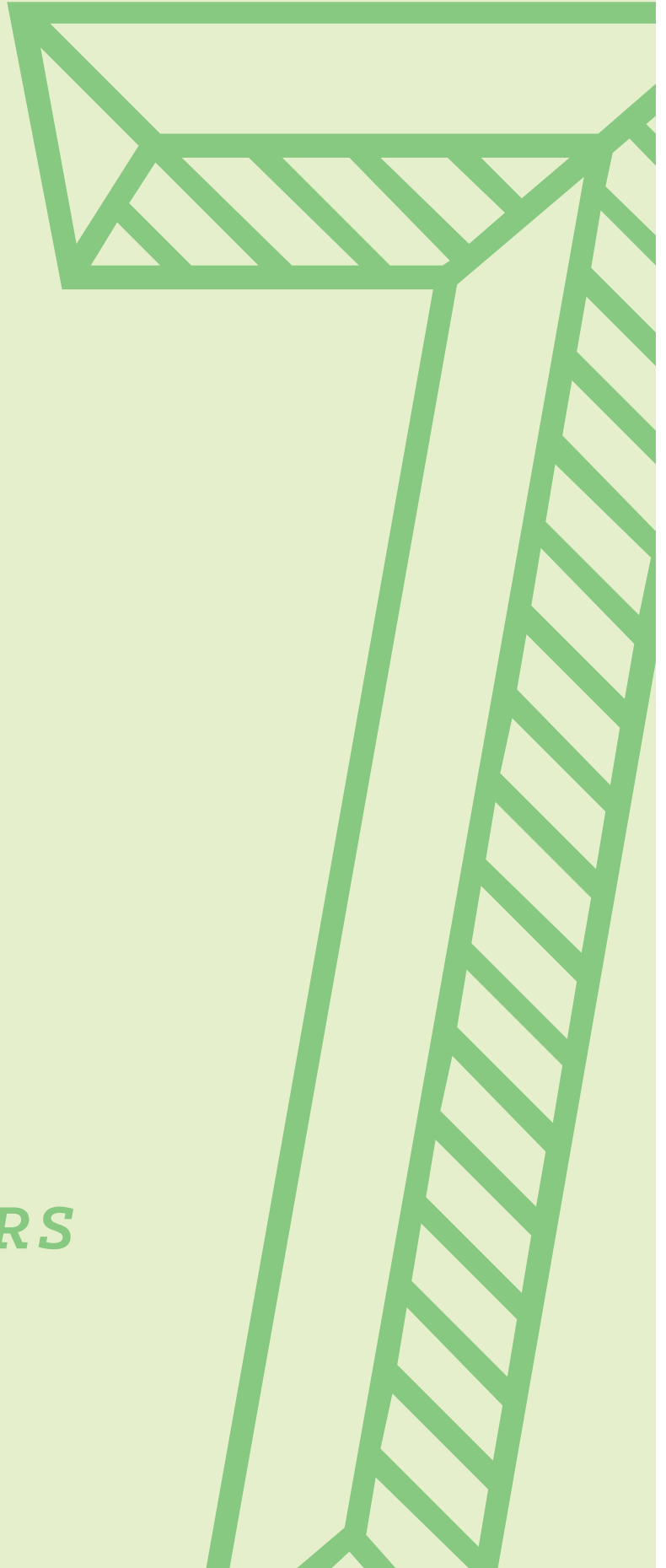


S E S S I O N



*MILE MARKERS*





# ecclesiastes 5

10 He who loves silver will not be satisfied with silver; nor he who loves abundance, with increase. This also is vanity.

**Lesson 1:** You will <sup>(45)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ be satisfied with more!

11 When goods increase, they increase who eat them; so what profit have the owners except to see them with their eyes?

**Lesson 2:** More stuff brings more stuff <sup>(46)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

12 The sleep of a laboring man is sweet, whether he eats little or much; but the abundance of the rich will not permit him to sleep.

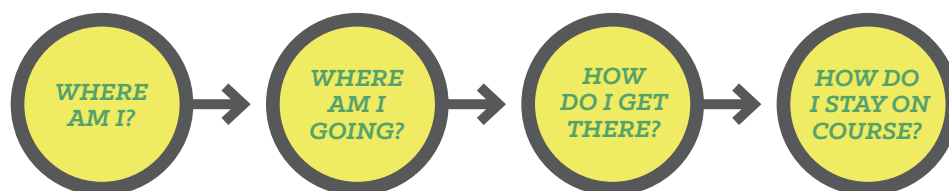
**Lesson 3:** Peace of mind comes from being <sup>(47)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_,  
not getting the <sup>(48)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

13 There is a severe evil which I have seen under the sun: riches kept for their owner to his hurt.

**Lesson 4:** <sup>(49)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the production is a mistake!

14 But those riches perish through misfortune; when he begets a son, there is nothing in his hand. 15 As he came from his mother's womb, naked shall he return, to go as he came; and he shall take nothing from his labor which he may carry away in his hand.

**Lesson 5:** You can't <sup>(50)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ it with you anyway! Chasing after more stuff is futile!



# milemarkers

## MILE MARKER #1 Save <sup>(51)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Expenses in Your Checking Account

- *No more bounced checks*
- *No more NSF notices from your bank*
- *No more dependence on Payday loans*
- *No more money shell games*

## MILE MARKER #2 Eliminate All <sup>(52)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Debt

- *Examples: credit cards, student loans, and car loans/leases.*
- *Essentially anything other than your primary mortgage.*

## MILE MARKER #3 Create a <sup>(53)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Fund

- *Save 3 – 6 months of expenses in a money market or other interest bearing account*

## MILE MARKER #4 Save to Accomplish <sup>(54)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Goals

**My top 3 long-term goals:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

# THINK ABOUT IT

As believers, we should orient our lives around a single Biblical goal. That is to hear what might arguably be the sweetest six words that we could ever hear:

*'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'* - **Matthew 25:21**

PARACETICE

TWO

Set (55) \_\_\_\_\_ Financial Goals

## S.M.A.R.T. GOALS

For Goals to be meaningful, they must be S.M.A.R.T. They must be:

- **S** (56) \_\_\_\_\_
- **M** (57) \_\_\_\_\_
- **A** (58) \_\_\_\_\_
- **R** (59) \_\_\_\_\_
- **T** (60) \_\_\_\_\_

## WHAT'S MISSING?

Your "Y": \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## SESSION 7 BIG IDEAS



Practice two is all about understanding simple targets to work toward that help us build our finances in a logical, step by step fashion. The Mile Markers ensure we focus on the best next goal. The Mile Markers are :

- **Save One Month's Expenses in a Checking Account**
- **Eliminate all Short-Term Debt**
- **Build a Life Fund**
- **Save to Accomplish Long-Term Goals**

1. Why is a Life Fund vital for your financial security?

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2. Why is it better to eliminate short-term debt before saving for long-term goals?

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## GOD'S GIFT OF AUTHORITY

*"Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.. - Luke 10:19*

- Authority – *exousia*
  - the power of authority (influence) and of right (privilege)
- Power - *dynamis*
  - strength power, ability

We often pray and ask God to do something about a situation that's coming against us. Imagine His response is something like this:

*"I've heard your prayer, but I've already given you the authority and power to resolve the situation. Do it!"*

## PRAY OUT OF YOUR AUTHORITY

*Heavenly Father, forgive me for not believing that I have authority over the enemy; for not believing I have the authority and power to stop his schemes. By faith, I'll use this precious gift.*

*Jesus, thank You for paying the price to give me this gift.*

*Holy Spirit, I bind every plan of the enemy to hurt me or my family. I command the enemy to leave. I agree with You that NO plan of the enemy will hurt me or my family. Teach me more about the authority You've given me. Teach me to walk in authority. Teach me to exercise my authority in FAITH.*

*In Jesus' Name.*