

The Message Notes

Series: Seven Deadly Sins

Message: *Overcoming Greed*

Sunday: September 27th 2020

Scripture: Matthew 6:24



Introduction: This morning, we will discuss *Overcoming Greed* as part of our series, the “Seven Deadly Sins”.

Matthew 6:24. “No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.” (NKJV)

Review:

1. Overcoming **Pride** – I Peter 5:5-8
 - Humility: you submit under authority
2. Overcoming **Envy** – Genesis 4:1-9
 - Contentment: you do not compare and compete
3. Overcoming **Gluttony** – 3 John 1:2
 - Discipline: you diet, portions, burn, and fast
4. Overcoming **Anger** – Ephesians 4:26
 - Control anger by doing good – Romans 12:21
 - Consume anger by giving it to God – Proverbs 20:22
 - Cost of uncontrolled anger is harmful – Proverbs 22:24-25

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Principle: You cannot serve two masters

Why: Two masters have opposing views

Application: “You cannot serve **God** and **Mammon** (wealth or riches).”

Warning About Money:

1. Money and measurement: Luke 12:15
2. Money and possession: Matthew 19:21-22
3. Money and affections: Hebrews 13:5
4. Money and sorrow: 1 Timothy 6:10

Overcoming Greed:

Principle: Giving overcomes greed (generosity).

Giving is an attribute of God: St. John 3:16. “For this is how God **loved** the world. He **gave** his **one** and **only** Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. James 1:17

PT1. _____ – giving *submits* to God’s Lordship

Psalms 24:1. The **earth** is the Lord’s, and **everything** in it (resources). The **world** and all its **people** belong to him. (NLT) References: Proverbs 3:9-10, Luke 12:34, Acts 4:32, Acts 20:35

PT2. _____ – giving *returns* to you and *stores* for you

Proverbs 11:24. **Give freely** and become more wealthy; be **stingy** and lose everything. **25.** The **generous** will **prosper**; those who **refresh** others will themselves be **refreshed**. (NLT) References: Proverbs 11:1, 2 Corinthians 9:6, Luke 12:33-34

PT3. _____ – manage your money (money mission)

Proverbs 24:27. Do your **planning** and **prepare** your **fields** before **building** your house. (NLT) References: Proverbs 21:20, 22:7, 11:2

Genesis 41:35. Have them gather all the food produced in the good years that are just ahead and bring it to Pharaoh’s storehouses. **Store it away**, and guard it so there will be food in the cities. **36.** That way there will be enough to eat when the **seven years of famine** come to the land of Egypt. Otherwise this famine will destroy the land.” (NLT)

Money Mission Plan:

Proverbs 21:20. The wise have wealth and luxury, but fools spend whatever they get. (NLT)

1. Give some (10%) – *honor God with the first*
2. Save some (5%) – *emergency, and investments*
3. Live off the rest (85%) – *your lifestyle*

Next Week: Overcoming Slothfulness