

In God We Trust Life Group Questions

Warm up: If you are at the zoo, what animal do you enjoy watching the most and why?

1. Give two reasons why someone might struggle with trusting God. Now, give two benefits that come from trusting Him. Do the benefits outweigh the risks of trusting God? Explain.

2. Read Matthew 25:14-30. With this story Jesus is describing what life is like in the Kingdom of God. The master in the story represents God and the servants represent the people who live for God (me and you). What in this story makes you . . .

- Mad? Give a brief explanation why.
- Glad? Give a brief explanation why.
- Sad? Give a brief explanation why.
- Afraid? Give a brief explanation why.

3. The master in the story made a significant investment with each of his servants before going on his journey. The individual investments were made according to the ability of each servant. In other words, the master was setting each servant up for success while he was away. Do you believe God has set you up for success in His kingdom? What type of investments does God make in His people to set them up for success in Kingdom life?

4. One investment God has made with His people is the financial resources He provides. We can do five things with the finances God gives us (Hint: UWISH). In your group, name and briefly define each of those 5 things. Of the five things, which ones are pleasing to God? Briefly explain why those actions with money please God. Which ones displease God? Briefly explain why those actions with money displease Him.

5. One of the greatest aversions to trusting God with our finances (or any resource He has provided) is fear. It is the reason the servant in the story did nothing with what his master provided. What things do you do to trust God and push back against your fears especially in financial decisions or habits?