# "Supernatural Finances" Speaker: Mike Rogers from LA Dream Center

#### USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

- This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. After considering the needs of your group, you may choose one of the following options:
  - 1. one section of questions
  - 2. one or two questions from each section
- Feel free to adapt the format to meet the needs of your group. If your group is mature and wants to dig deeper, add Scripture and ask suitable questions. Remember that this is only a guide.
- Personal application is key to everyone's growth and should be included in every discussion. When asked how he or she intends to apply a certain principle a group member may say, "I need to spend more time in the Bible and in prayer." It is important for you to help group members make applications that are more specific and commit to a specific plan of action by asking, for example, "How are you going to begin?" An example is to get up 30 minutes earlier each morning, spending 15 minutes reading the Bible and 10 minutes in prayer. Encourage each group member to be accountable to the group for personal progress at the next meeting.
- As the leader your goal is to help bring the group into a stimulating discussion that helps the members recognize their need for personal life change. Ultimately you want them to be willing to commit to change with accountability to the group. Accountability helps us to persevere in our commitments and achieve the blessings of success.

#### INTRODUCTION

In following Christ, obedience is key. God wants to grow you, refine you, and entrust more to you. So if you want to experience supernatural finances, then be faithful with your natural, and He will add His super!

**MESSAGE** 

If it doesn't scare you, it probably isn't God.

#### **Seven Proven Principles of Giving:**

1. Love God.

#### [Matthew 22.37]

Jesus replied, "You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind."

#### [Matthew 7.11]

So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good gifts to those who ask him.

- A. Pray together with your mate about giving. (Learn to hear God's voice.)
- B. God wants you blessed.
- C. Getting out of debt is like "eating an elephant."

#### [3 John 1.2]

Dear friend, I hope all is well with you and that you are as healthy in body as you are strong in spirit.

[Psalm 35.27]

But give great joy to those who came to my defense. Let them continually say, "Great is the Lord, who delights in blessing his servant with peace!"

#### 2. Tithe.

[Proverbs 3.9]

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce.

\*Read Malachi and Haggai daily for God's heart on giving and covenant-keeping.

## Tithing gets the devil on your back and the Lord on your side.

3. Pay your (stinking) bills.

## God, what are the things in my finances that I need to fix?

- A. You cannot spend more then you make. (Sell something or get another job.)
- B. Do all you know how, and then let God show up.
- C. Give God an opportunity to bless you.

- 4. Give your best, and you can expect God's best.
- 5. Where is your treasure?
- 6. Don't be a "what might have been" person.

[Proverbs 13.12]

Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a dream fulfilled is a tree of life.

### Because you can, doesn't mean you should.

#### 7. Trust and obey.

[Proverbs 3.5-6]

Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Who do you think loving God is so key to experiencing supernatural giving? (Consider verse: *Where your money is...*)
- 2. "God wants us all to be blessed." How does that foundational principle influence your expectations of God and your response to His Holy Spirit?
- 3. How is growing in God like "eating an elephant?"
- 4. What can you do in your financial practices to "make God look good?"
- 5. What do you think God's best for you, or your family looks like?
- 6. What's one of the seven principles that you really want to focus on in the next week, month, or year?
- 7. Where is one area in your life that you can give God an opportunity to bless you?