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**Message Series:** TRUSTING GOD: From Fear To Faith

**Today's Message:** Fear Turned To Freedom Pt2

### 1. Refuse To Get Sloppy

◆ “The tragedy of life so often is not that we have no high impulses, but that we fail to turn them into actions” ~ Barclay

2 Corinthians 8:1-6

**Danger:** Over time we get used to rationalizing our way around and grow numb spiritually.

1 Corinthians 6:19, 20

**Problem:** We can keep God from getting involved in our lives and in our finances.

Psalm 81:8-14

2 Chronicles 15:1-4

2 Chronicles 15:8, 9

2 Chronicles 16:7-9, 12

⇒ God wants to be actively involved as your financial partner and this involves focusing on His Kingdom first.

Matthew 6:25

Matthew 6:31-33

**Jesus Is Saying:** “If you will be about My needs—taking care of the poor and making disciples—I will be about your needs.”

⇒ Jesus makes this promise when we let Him be in control and put His interests first.

#### **Two Warnings:**

1) This doesn't mean that God won't let you have financial hardships if you put Him first.

Psalm 73:1-3

Psalm 73:12, 17

Psalm 73:21-26

2) A Funny Thing: Only When the bottom falls out, when we get desperate... then we turn to God...??

Numbers 14:36-45

### 2. It's More Than A Feeling

◆ When you let God be involved in your finances—you will have times that are not 100% comfortable; sometimes even 50%.

#### **Trusting God:**

⇒ Not your “gut” - not your natural instincts—is often counterintuitive

⇒ Money is an emotional subject—so we must base our decisions on God's faithfulness, His promises, His truth.

Matthew 6:21 “Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.”