

GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION

CONNECT

What were your greatest treasures when you were a kid? How about now?

LEARN & APPLY

Read Matthew 6:19-21, 24-34. Jesus tells us no one can serve two masters. If pursuit of money is your life's master, what does a life serving that master look like/feel like?

- After saying one cannot serve both God and money, Jesus follows with "therefore" do not worry! How might serving God as our master lead us away from a life of worry?
- What worries are hardest for you to entrust to God?

Read Exodus 32:1-8, 19-24. When the people were anxious, they decided to make a god to worship. Why do you think they did this?

- In our lives too, what gets our attention most, becomes what we have on the altar. Sometimes that's not something we value, but something we let become our 'master' (anxiety, worry, stress, fear, desire for control?) What becomes your golden calf when you lose sight of God's power?
- Why might that be damaging to us?

Read Ephesians 2:3-10. Imagine the choice to receive an impossible assignment you're told you'll die if you don't accomplish, or to receive eternal life as a free gift from a God who loves you by trusting him to save you. Why do you think people sometimes have a hard time with God's grace?

PRAY

Jesus, you are the greatest treasure. Help us to remember the great gift we have in your saving grace.