

JESUS SAID – *Episode 3: Wise Investments*



Team Member Name: _____ Date: _____

Game Strategy – Jesus said, “For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life?” Where are we investing our time, talent, and treasure?

Be ready to take the field for this workout by completing the **Pregame Film Study**. Your contributions to the Huddle Discussion in our workout are vital to our team success. Remember we win and lose as a team!

Pregame Film Study

1. View or listen to the episode referenced above.
2. Go deep with the Scripture References, Coaching Tips and Catechism Connection on page 2.
3. Reflect upon the **Huddle Up** questions below and jot down your thoughts.

Huddle Up – Use these questions for personal reflection to share with your team at the workout.

Warm-up Questions:

1. What particular point(s) caught your attention the most in this episode?

2. What is something useful that you learned from viewing this episode that you can apply in your own life?

Workout Questions:

1. Reflect on how much time do you spend on accumulating **temporal things** such as wealth, financial security, job security, power, titles, popularity, accomplishments, awards, and notoriety. These things are not bad in themselves but they end upon our death.

2. How much time do you spend on the spiritual aspect of your life which lasts forever?

3. Do you spend a disproportionate amount of time on temporal things than you spend on spiritual things? Why is that not a good investment of your time? What’s at stake?

4. Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10,17-19. The drive for more leads to discontentment. What are some ways that you can bring true contentment by creating more balance in your life between the temporal and the spiritual?

5. Read and reflect on Matthew 16:24-27. What is the Lord saying to you in this Scripture passage?

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Team Workout Plan - Watch the Kickoff, Game Plan and Red Zone video segments as a team. Break into huddles for discussion of the questions.

Postgame Recap - Watch the End Zone video segment as a team. Take note of the tips from the CTG team:

1. One life to live. Invest it well.
2. Jesus is coming. Be ready. Choose wisely.
3. Invest in prayer, Mass, and Scripture. Watch the changes!

Complete your **Personal Action Item**. 

Scripture References

Matthew 16:24-27
1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19

Sirach 7:36

Coaching Tips

God wants us to have an eternal perspective. He is our way home. No one is more in touch with reality than Jesus.

How much time do you spend on the spiritual aspects, the only ones that last forever, of your life?

“Why give up what you cannot keep for what you cannot lose.”
~ *Jim Elliott*

Catechism Connection

2651 The tradition of Christian prayer is one of the ways in which the tradition of faith takes shape and grows, especially through the contemplation and study of the believers who *treasure in their hearts* the events and words of the economy of salvation, and though their profound grasp of the spiritual realities they experience.

2207 The family is the *original cell of social life*. It is the natural society in which husband and wife are called to give themselves in love and in the gift of life. Authority, stability, and a life of relationships within the family constitute the foundations for freedom, *security*, and fraternity within society.

2432 Those *responsible for business enterprises* are responsible to society for the economic and ecological effects of their operations. They have an obligation to consider the good of persons and not only the increase of *profits*. Profits are necessary, however. They make possible the investments that ensure the future of a business and they guarantee employment.

1936 On coming into the world, man is not equipped with everything he needs for developing his bodily and spiritual life. He needs others. Differences appear tied to age, physical abilities, intellectual or moral aptitudes, the benefits derived from social commerce, and the distribution of wealth. The “talents” are not distributed equally.

1937 These differences belong to God’s plan, who wills that each receive what he needs from others, and that those endowed with particular “talents” share the benefits with those who need them. These differences encourage and often oblige persons to practice generosity, kindness, and sharing of goods; they foster mutual enrichment of cultures.

Personal Action Item

Develop a plan of action based upon our prayer and discussion related to the topic. How does the Lord want this topic applied in your life? Keep it simple – one or two action items.

I commit to becoming spiritually fit by...