***October 14, 2018***

***Today’s Lesson: “Thus Saith Me!”***

**From Mike:**

We had a lot of folks out last Sunday. I know there was a large group visiting North City, but it seemed to be a good week for people to travel and be gone. I knew I shouldn’t have told everyone ahead of time that my Spirit Quenching topic for that week was Money! I hope the lesson didn’t make anyone grab for their wallet, but maybe some might have grabbed their heart. Money, or our feelings and priorities about money, can be a major **Spirit Quencher**. It quickly and easily becomes more important than God. The point of the lesson was not about giving! Giving is only important from the standpoint that it is an essential element in our transformation into being Christ-like. We can’t earn our salvation, nor can we buy it, but we must not let love for money become more important than our walk with God. Grace drives our giving!

If you were not here, please check with **Milo** at the **Tape Ministry table** and get a copy or listen to it on our website. The points were simple, logical, and more important biblical! There are three essential warning in the Word of God about our money:

1. **Don’t love it!** Loving it is the “root of all evil.”
2. **Don’t misuse it!** “To whom much is given much is expected.”
3. **Don’t rob God!** Honor Him with sacrifice! Test Him and watch what He will do!

Speaking of honoring God, please remember to purchase your tickets for our **Celebration Dinner** on November 3rd at 5:30. We want to praise and honor Him for all He did for us and through us in 2018! We also want to ask His blessing on our plans for 2019. I mentioned a couple of ways that we can help offset the church extra costs for the catered event. The ticket does not cover all the expenses.

* **Purchase a ticket and plan to attend: Adults $10, Child $5**
* **Sponsor the cost of a table(s) at $20 each**
* **Buy and extra Love Ticket that we can use to help someone come who might not be able to afford tickets.**

Please see **me** or **John Young** if you need any assistance attending! We love you and want you to be with us.