HALF TRUTHS

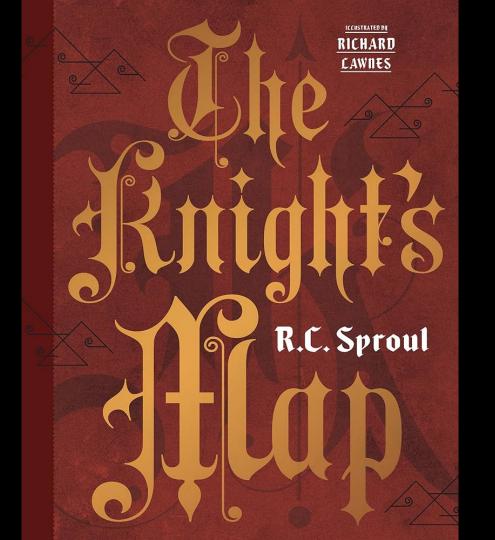
GOSPEL CLARITY IN A NOISY WORLD



New Service Start Time!!!

9:00-10:00 Starting 11/3





MONEY WILLFIX THIS

HALF

"To tell half-truths and outright lies is in our enemy's very nature (John 8:44). He enjoys calling God's truthfulness and goodness into question with subtlety, as he did with Eve by over-emphasizing what the Lord forbade instead of what He permitted (Gen. 3:1b). His tactics have not changed, so let us beware lest he deceive us as well."



Today's Sermon: "Money can fix this" Passage: Mark 12:41-44

What I really need is a good, high-paying job (& maybe a few side hustles) so I can solve my current

and future problems with a big pile of money!

MONEY WILLFIX THS

90% Truths HALF



- 1. What is the kernel of truth in money?
 - 2. How is dependence on money harmful/unhelpful?
- 3. How does the gospel tell a better story?



1. Where did all this come from?



Genesis 1:1-2

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

- 1. Where did all this come from?
- 2. What went wrong?



Genesis 3:1

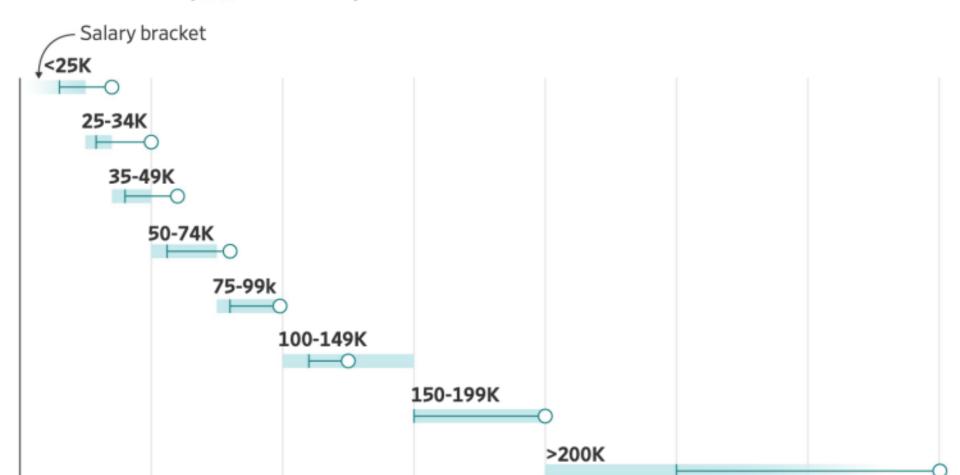
Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

- 1. Where did all this come from?
- 2. What went wrong?
 - 3. Can anything be done to fix it?



How much does your annual salary need to be for you to feel happy/less stressed?

Median current salary ⊢ Median salary needed



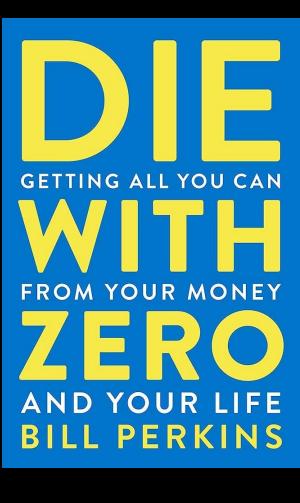




What are the things you hope to do during your brief existence here on Earth? Here are a few things I would love to do:

- •Buy or build a cabin in the woods near Lake Superior's north shore
- Mentor young men in my neighborhood
- •Live in Europe
 - •Pour everything I have into loving and discipling my kids.

~Brett Writes



Mark 12:41-44

⁴¹ Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. 42 But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. ⁴³ Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. ⁴⁴ They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

- 1. Where did all this come from?
- 2. What went wrong?
 - 3. Can anything be done to fix it?
 - 4. What does the future look like?



Luke 16:19-31

19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. 20 At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores 21 and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

Luke 16:19-31

²² "The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.'

Luke 16:19-31

²⁵ "But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. ²⁶ And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.'

Luke 16:19-31 27 "He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus

to my family, ²⁸ for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.'

29 "Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the

30" 'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.'
31"He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Prophets; let them listen to them.'

Gospel Application

Jesus is free!