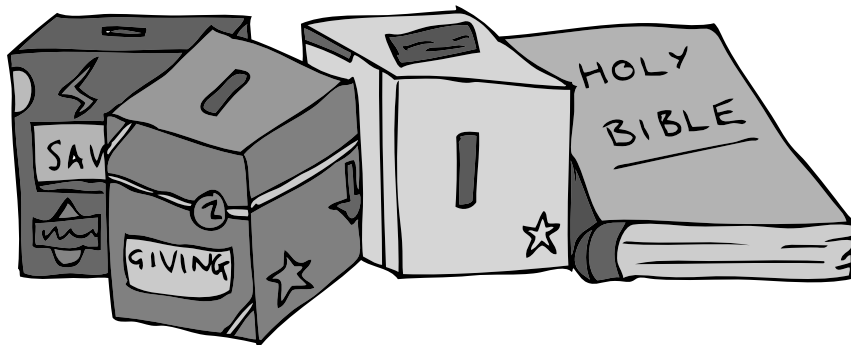


The Secret

Of Handling Money God's Way
for ages 8 – 12



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The start of it all

Crown’s overview of chapter 1: The primary objectives for the first class are to begin to develop close relationships among the children (if there is more than one student), to reinforce the study requirements, and to learn some of the basic issues of what the Bible says about money.

Note: The blank space following agenda numbers is for the leader to fill in the scheduled time. For example, if your class begins at 7pm, number 2 would read 7:05, number 4 would read 7:10 and so forth. This is designed to help the leader monitor the time so the class will end on time. Timings are for guidance only.

Agenda

Time/no.	Agenda description
1	Open in prayer.
2	(5 minutes) Have each person recite from memory <i>Luke 16:11 (NASB)</i> . “Therefore if you have not been faithful in the use of worldly wealth, who will entrust the true riches to you?”
3	Confirm that everyone has a Bible and knows there are 66 books in the Bible.
4	(30minutes) Begin the <i>Answer these questions</i> discussion.
5	<p>5 minute review of the student book for next week...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read Chapter 2 – A giant at the den • Memorise <i>1 Chronicles 29:11-12</i>. • <i>Answer the questions</i> on page 15 • Complete the <i>Work it out</i> assignment of writing down how much money they receive and spend for the week
6	Optional activities for extending class time. Complete the chapter 1 quiz on page 29 (<i>Teacher’s Guide</i>) or the secret messages puzzle on page 54. Photocopy as required.
7	(10 minutes) Complete the <i>Prayer records</i> . If the class is larger than eight, divide into groups of no more than eight. Each participant should have one Prayer List for each person in his or her group, including himself or herself. Take prayer requests and note them on the <i>Prayer records</i> .
8	End in prayer.



Memorise a verse

Therefore if you have not been faithful in the use of worldly wealth, who will entrust the true riches to you? (Luke 16:11, NASB)



Answer these questions

1. There are more than 2,350 verses in the Bible that talk about money. Why do you think the Bible says so much about money?
[The Lord knew money would be a big part of our lives, so He wanted us to know how to handle money wisely]

2. Open the Bible and read *Isaiah 55:8-9*. Do you think God's way of handling money is different from the way most people handle money?
[God's principles are entirely different from the principles people use to manage their money]

3. What do you think is the greatest difference?
[Most people do not believe the Lord plays a personal role in finances, but Scripture reveals He has the major role]

4. Look up and read *Luke 16:11*. What do you think are the 'true riches' the Lord mentions in this verse?
[The true riches are a closer relationship with Jesus Christ]



Work it out

If you do not have a Bible, please get one so you can look up what God wants you to know about money. Look at the books of the Bible listed in front of your Bible – they start with Genesis and end with Revelation. Some of the books are in the Old Testament and some in the New Testament.

Count the books in the Bible. How many are there? **66** _____