



STREET SMART SERIES
Part Two: God's Financial Rescue Plan
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The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them."
 Psalm 91:14-15 (NLT)

► **God promises to rescue those who _____ and _____ in Him.**

THREE _____ FOR A FINANCIAL RESCUE PLAN

1. Resolved: _____ is not the answer - God is.

"Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment."
 1 Timothy 6:17 (NLT)

2. Resolved: Our _____ is not the focus - God's is.

Now this is what the LORD Almighty says: "Give careful thought to your ways. You have planted much, but have harvested little. You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it.

This is what the LORD Almighty says: "Give careful thought to your ways. Go up into the mountains and bring down timber and build the house, so that I may take pleasure in it and be honored," says the LORD. "You expected much, but see, it turned out to be little. What you brought home, I blew away. Why?" declares the LORD Almighty. "Because of my house, which remains a ruin, while each of you is busy with his own house..." Haggai 1:5-9 (NIV)

Rescue (Cont'd)

3. Resolved: _____ doesn't change things - _____ does.

"It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep." Psalm 127:2 (ESV)

"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7 (NLT)

"...The Lord knows how to rescue godly people from their sufferings..."
 2 Peter 2:9 (ESV)

FATHER GOD, I thank you for your promise of rescue. Today I make a decision to love you and trust you with my whole heart and life. Lord Jesus, rescue me from my sins and change my heart forever. In Christ's Name I Pray, AMEN

RESOURCES FOR THIS WEEK'S SMALL GROUPS

Icebreaker: Describe your first house - how did you like it?

Scripture Focus: Let each member share a verse from this teaching-- one that spoke to them personally. What does it mean to them?

Discussion Focus: How can we discover greater peace financially?

Prayer Focus: Pray for those who are struggling financially to be encouraged and renewed as they practice what God's Word says.

REMEMBER to give an offering for the needy in your group this week, for God has promised us a rich reward (Det. 15:11, Psalm 41:1)