

May 21, 2023 "Money Is the Root of All Evil" Rick Raines rraines@fairmountcc.org

Words have meaning.

We should always **use** our words **well**.

1 Peter 4:11

If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God ...

Titus 2:7-8

In everything set them an example by doing what is good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned ...

This is our third series of "God Never Said That"

One often misused phrase is: "Money is the root of all evil."

God **never** said that.

Money is a **thing** – neither **good** nor **bad**.

Loving money is a **bad** thing.

1 Timothy 6:6-10

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

As we honor Christ with our lives, our goal is:

- To <u>control</u> money, not let it <u>control us</u>.
- To steward well the money given us.

What **DID God say** to the one who handled money well?

"Well done, good and faithful servant."