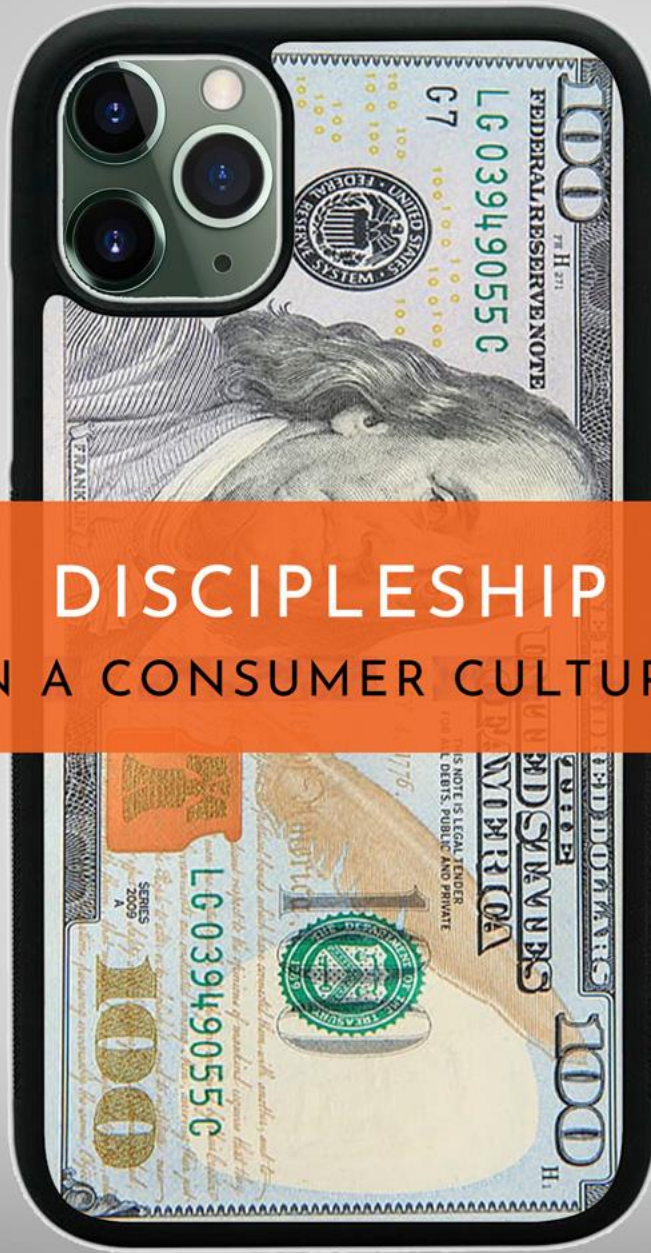
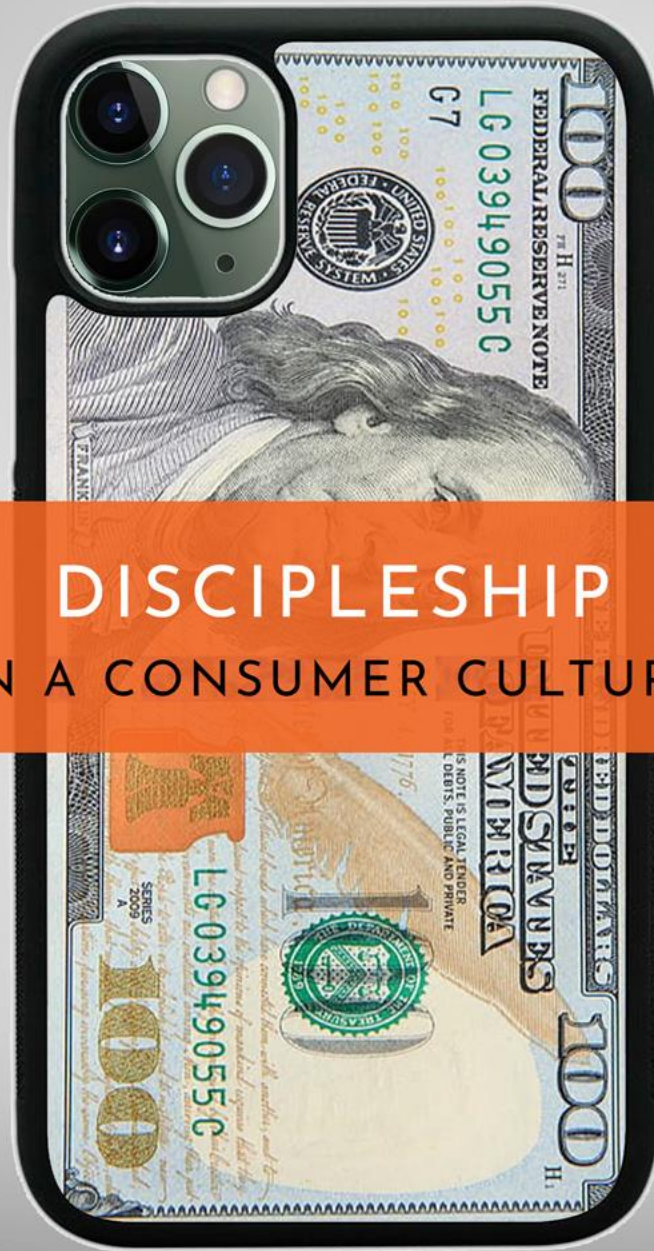


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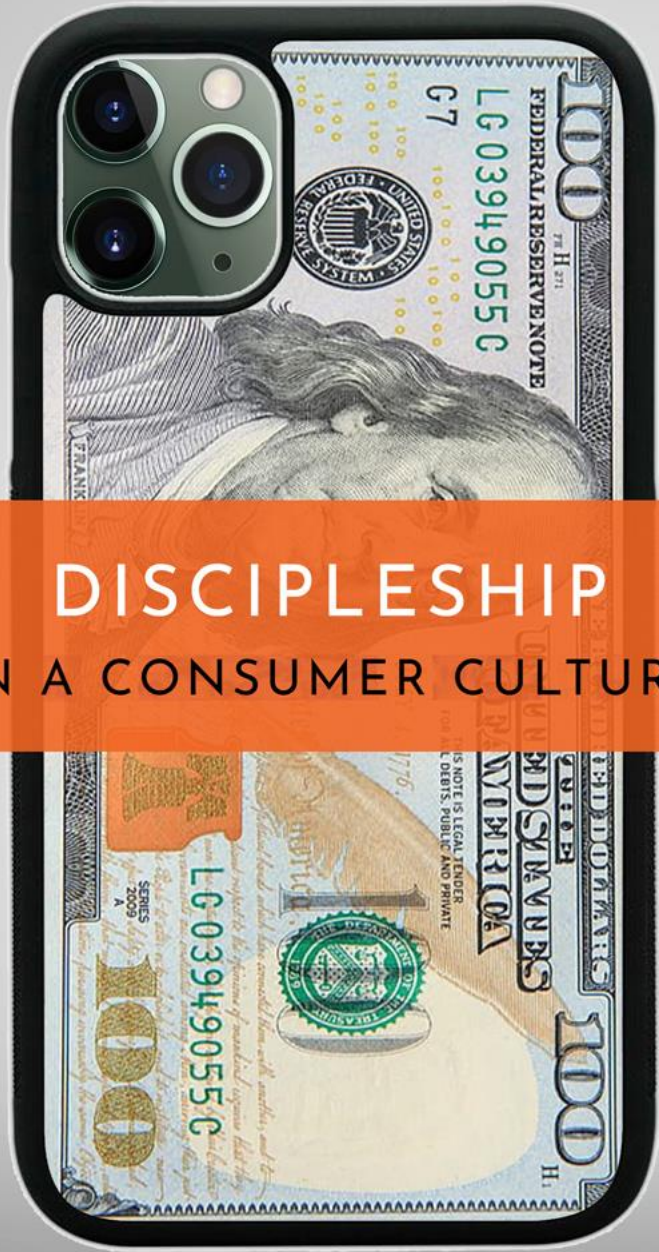
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1 TIMOTHY 4:7-8

^{7b}... **train yourself to be godly.**

⁸ For physical training is of some value,
but godliness has value for all things,
holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.



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MATTHEW 6:24

No one can serve two masters.

Either you will hate the one and love the other,
or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other.

You cannot serve both God and money.

1 TIMOTHY 6:9-10

⁹ 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.

¹⁰ 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.

LUKE 12:15-21

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¹⁶ And he told them this parable:

“The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest.

¹⁷ He thought to himself, ‘What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.’

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²⁰ “But God said to him, ‘**You fool!** This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’ ²¹ “This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God.”

1 TIMOTHY 6:17-19

¹⁷Command **those who are rich** in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

¹⁸Command them to do good, to **be rich in good deeds**, and to be generous and willing to share.

¹⁹In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

RANDY ALCORN, MONEY POSSESSIONS & ETERNITY

Christ's words were direct and profound: "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." What we do with our possessions is a sure indicator of what's in our hearts. ...But what we do with our money doesn't simply **indicate** where our heart is. According to Jesus, it **determines** where our heart goes. This is an amazing and exciting truth. If I want my heart to be in one particular place and not in another, then I need to put my money in that place and not in the other. I've heard people say, "I want more of a heart for missions." I always respond, "Jesus tells you exactly how to get it. Put your money in missions, and your heart will follow."

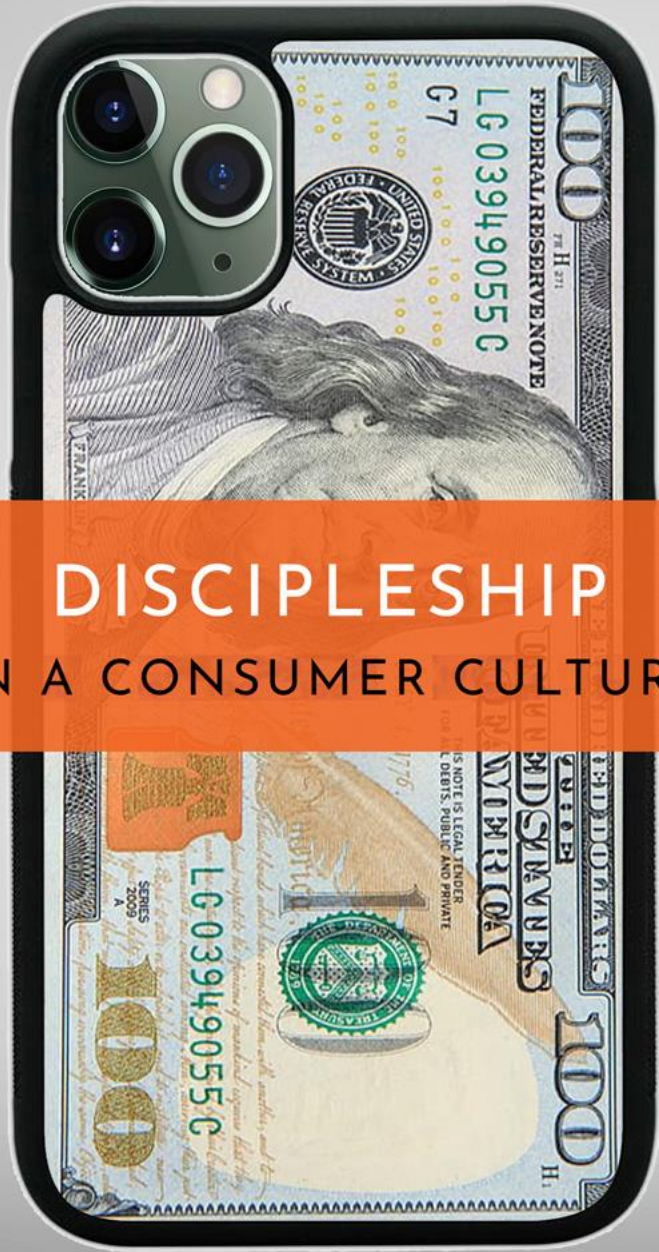
NEXT STEPS

Honestly assess how you're thinking about and using money.

Make or update your budget.

Ask someone trusted to look over your finances.

Practice using your money for His purposes.



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