

# Praying for Money and Stuff (Jered C. Wilson)

A prayer for financial provision inspired by these lines from John Piper’s closing message at the Desiring God Pastors Conference this morning: “Jesus says it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. Why would you want riches? Why make it harder?”

Heavenly Father, Give me neither poverty nor riches,  
lest I be full and deny you and say, “Who is the Lord?”  
or lest I be poor and steal and profane your name.  
Give me just enough, Lord, to nourish my family,  
to pay my debts and fulfil my obligations and keep my promises and invest in your work  
according to your will,  
in supply of all my needs, in accordance with the riches of Christ Jesus.

If you should say “no” and give me poverty,  
grant me contentment and purest hope  
and a deeply settled resolution to the sufficiency of your grace.  
If you should say “no” and give me riches,  
lead me not into temptation, but deliver me from evil,  
and do not give me more than I can bear in service to your kingdom.  
If you send increase of my riches,  
send increase of my capacity for generosity,  
and discipline me from greed, covetousness, miserliness, and inhospitality.

Lord, grant me some of my material wants, but not too many,  
not one more than would distract my joy and treasure from you,  
if that be none of my wants or all of them.  
I pray your will be done,  
even if my will turns out to be a disappointment to my heirs.

In Christ’s name, Amen.



1 July 2018 | Service Times: 9am & 11:30am

## Welcome, we’re glad you’re here!

We are a church family committed to following Jesus Christ as Lord. We do this by getting to know him through his living Word, the Bible, which is why the sermon is the key part of our Sunday services. Find out more about us at [www.slechurch.org.au](http://www.slechurch.org.au).

### This Week: What Would Jesus Say to The Rich?

Money is a good gift from God, but it is not and cannot be God. Jesus came to forgive us from the sin of idolizing money and to release us from this counterfeit god.

#### Next Week:

[John 7:53—8:11]



## Today’s Service

<b>Welcome and Singing</b>	Show Us Christ
	This Life I Live
	My Hope Is Built
<b>Holy Communion</b>	
<b>Offering</b>	
<b>Community News</b>	
<b>Bible Reading</b>	Ecclesiastes 5:10-17; 1 Timothy 6:6-11, 17-19
<b>Sermon</b>	By Pastor Ben Ho
<b>Song of Response</b>	Surrender All

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Check out [slechurch.org.au/groups](http://slechurch.org.au/groups) to find a group that you can join.

# Say hello

Join us for morning tea at 10:30am.  
We'd love to have a chat and get to know you better.

## Our Pastors

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## Financial Update

Last Week	\$5,079.05
Weekly Required	\$5,520
Shortfall 2018	\$0.00

**Giving by Electronic Funds Transfer**

<b>A/C Name:</b>	SLE Church
<b>Bank:</b>	National Australia Bank
<b>BSB:</b>	084-424
<b>A/C No:</b>	396558544

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## Prayer Points

**PRAISE BE TO GOD OUR GOOD CREATOR** who is almighty and always in control. Praise Him that both good and evil, well-being and calamity are in His hands, serving His purposes.

**PRAY FOR FAITH TO TRUST** in the revealed word of God and faith to trust in mysteries of God not made known to us.

**THANK GOD THAT HIS REVELATION** gives us enough of what we know to understand the presence of suffering and grief in this world. Give even greater thanks that through the gospel, God gives us the one and only solution to the sin that has caused our griefs. Thank God that, in Christ and because of Christ, we can look forward to an eternity without all of the sin and evil and suffering that causes us so much grief in this world.

**PRAY FOR PASTOR STEVE AND HIS FAMILY** as they take a break after Oxygen conference. Pray for a restful and refreshing time.

**CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ANNA'S FAMILY AND FRIENDS** in the wake of Anna's passing. Continue to pray for others in our community who bear griefs of various kinds.

## Community News

**MEAL ROSTER FOR MEL AND ANDREW**  
Good news! Mel and Andrew Chin have had their baby and is navigating being a family of 3. Will you consider serving them by helping out with a meal or two starting 3rd July?

Faith is coordinating the roster.

**DINNER WITH STEVE MANDERS 7 JULY**  
Would you like to catch up with Steve and hear of what he and his family have been doing in Japan? Then please come for a pot luck dinner (Bring a dish to share) at church this Saturday starting at 5:30pm.

**FAREWELL FOR PASTOR MUN SEET**  
Coopers Plains Evangelical Church (CPEC) is organizing a farewell for Ps Mun on 14 July 6pm. It is a catered event, at no cost to you. Should you wish to attend, please RSVP to Winnie Wong by Friday 6 July.

There is a scrapbook being compiled for Ps Mun. Contribution of messages are welcomed. Please email through to in-fo@slechchurch.org.au or text to Winnie by 6 July.

**GROW WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**  
Grow is an annual women's conference by QCCA. It will be held on **4 August, Saturday 9—3:30pm** at St Peter's Lutheran College Performing Arts Centre (Indooroopilly). Jenny Baddeley and Keiyeng Nation will be speaking on the book of Habakkuk. Register online at <http://qcca.org.au/grow/> under "SLE Church" for a group price of \$52 (including morning tea and lunch).

## Serving

	Today	Next Week
Chair	Joshua	Randy <i>David</i>
Preach	Ps Ben	Ps Steven
Bible Read	Jansen <i>Dan Lowe</i>	Andrew <i>Jessica</i>
M.Tea	Eilen Helen	Daisy Boon
Wash Up	SOS Dan	SOS Dan
Welcome	Esther Richard Georgie <i>Marcus</i> <i>James</i> <i>Joy</i> <i>Leya</i>	Esther Richard Georgie <i>Marcus</i> <i>James</i> <i>Joy</i> <i>Leya</i>
Stewards	<i>Josh</i> <i>Josiah</i> <i>Nethanel</i>	<i>Josh</i> <i>Josiah</i> <i>Nethanel</i>
Piano	Dan Lowe	Liesl
Guitar	Ryan	Ivan
Bass	Ethan	Chuan Yuan
Drums	Ivan	
Vocal	Lim An / Joachim	Joachim
PA	William <i>Daniel</i>	Li Wei <i>Matt</i>

# What Would Jesus Say to... The Rich

1. Introduction

A. We're all rich

B. Reaching out to the rich

2. What would Jesus say to the rich?

A. "Money is a good gift from God"

B. "Money isn't God"

C. "Money can't be God"

D. "I came to forgive and release"

3. Implications

A. The rich need the gospel

B. The rich want the gospel

C. Engage the rich with the gospel

C. Live out the gospel

4. Conclusion