School of Financial Discipline Class 5 Love of Money –Root of all Evil

- What are the evils that come along with the Love of Money
- Love of money & the Evils it bring in
- 1. Is 5:8-9 Houses will become desolate & without occupants
- Isa 5:8 "How terrible it will be for you who join house to house, who add field to field, until there is no more room, and you have settled yourselves alone in the middle of the land!"
- Isa 5:9"Surely many houses will become desolate, great and beautiful houses, without occupants.
 (Cletus Vincent)
- 2. Isa 56:11 Makes shepherds dumb dogs that cannot bark
- Isa 56:10,11 His watchmen are blind; they are all without knowledge. They are all dumb dogs—they cannot bark. They keep on dreaming and lying around, and they're lovers of sleep!
- Meanwhile, the dogs have a mighty appetite—they can never get enough. And as for them, they are the shepherds who lack understanding; they have all turned to their own way, each one to his gain, each and every one.
- 3. Jer 6:13, 8:10 Make prophet & priest treat the wounds superficially
- Jer 6:13-14 Indeed, from the least important to the most important, they're all greedy for dishonest gain. From prophet to priest, they all act deceitfully. They treated my people's wound superficially, telling them, 'Peace, peace,' but there is no peace.
- 4. Jer 22:17-19 cause innocent bloodshed, oppression & extortion
- Jer 22:17-19 But your eyes and heart are on nothing but your dishonest gain, shedding the blood of innocent people, and practicing oppression and extortion.
- "He will receive a donkey's burial, dragged out and thrown outside the gates of Jerusalem."
- 5. Eze 33:31 Make one follow own self interest & desires disobeying prophecies
- Eze 33:31 Then they come to you as a group, sit down right in front of you as if they were my people, hear your words—and then they don't do what you say—because they're seeking only their own desires, they pursue ill-gotten profits, and they keep following their own self-interests.
- 6. Mic 2:2-4 Complete ruin & Heritage given to others!
- Mic 2:2 -4 They covet fields and seize them; they covet houses, and grab them, too. They harass the valiant man, along with his household, an individual and his estate." Therefore this is what the LORD says, "I'm crafting evil against this family, from which you can't escape. You won't strut around arrogantly, because the times are evil. When this happens, someone will compose a proverb about you, lamenting sorrowfully, 'We are completely ruined! He has given my people's heritage to others. How he has removed it from me, dividing up our fields!'
- 7. Luk 12:15,20 All accumulated wealth goes to others
- Luk 12:15 Then he told them, "Be careful to guard yourselves against every kind of greed, because a person's life doesn't consist of the amount of possessions he has."

- Luk 12:20 But God told him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded back from you. Now who will get the things you've accumulated?'
- 8. Eph 5:3,5 Will lose the Kingdom of the Messaiah & of God. 1Co 6:10
- Eph 5:3 Do not let impurity of any kind, or greed even be mentioned among you, as is proper for saints.
- Eph 5:5 For you know very well that No one who is greedy (that is, an idolater), has an inheritance in the kingdom of the Messiah and of God.
- 9. Col 3:5 Wrath of God will be upon
- Col 3:5 So put to death your worldly impulses: sexual sin, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed.
- Col 3:6 It is because of these things that the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient.
- 10. 1 Tim 6:9 Trapped by stupid & harmful desires
- 1Tim 6:9 But people who want to get rich keep toppling into temptation and are trapped by many stupid and harmful desires that plunge them into destruction and ruin.
- (Make you barren)
- 11. 2 Pet 2:3 Exploit others with deceptive words
 2 Pet 2:3 In their greed they will exploit you with deceptive words.
- 12. 2 Pet 2:13-14 Results in other sins like wild parties,..... adultery, seducing unsteady souls etc.
- 2Pe 2:13,14 "They take pleasure in wild parties in broad daylight. They are stains and blemishes, revelling in their deceitful pleasures while they eat with you.
- With eyes full of adultery, they cannot get enough of sin. They seduce unsteady souls and have had their hearts expertly trained in greed. They are doomed to a curse.
- 13. Luk 8:14 Fruit will not mature
- Luk 8:14 The ones that fell among the thorn bushes are the people who listen, but as they go on their way they are choked by the worries, wealth, and pleasures of life, and their fruit doesn't mature.
- 14. Luk 16:14 Ridiculing Jesus (Word) & justifying self in front of people
- Luk 16:14-15 Now the Pharisees, who love money, had been listening to all this and began to ridicule Jesus. So he told them, "You try to justify yourselves in front of people, but God knows your hearts, because what is highly valued by people is detestable to God.
- 15. Luk 21:34-35 The day of the Lord will come like trap
- Luk 21:34 "Constantly be on your guard so that your hearts will not be loaded down with self-indulgence, drunkenness, and the worries of this life, or that day will take you by surprise
- Luk 21:35 like a trap, because it will come on everyone who lives on the face of the earth.
- 16. Job 31:24-25,28 sin of deceiving God, & deserves judgement
- Job 1:24 "If I've put my confidence in gold, if I've told gold, 'You're my security,'
- Job 31:25 if I've found joy in great wealth that I own, if I've earned a lot with my own hands,
- Job 31:28 this is also a sin that deserves to be judged, since I would have tried to deceive God above."
- 17. Psa 119:36-37 Lead to worthless things

- Psa 119:36 Turn my heart to your decrees and away from unjust gain.
- Psa 119:37 Turn my eyes away from gazing at worthless things, and revive me by your ways.
- Death in Arockiapuram, Kallakudy
- 18. Pro 23:4-5. Wealth flies to the sky like an eagle
- Pro 23:4 Don't exhaust yourself acquiring wealth; be smart enough to stop.
- Pro 23:5 When you fix your gaze on it, it's gone, for it sprouts wings for itself and flies to the sky like an eagle.
- 19. Hab 2:9,10 brings shame & forfeits own life
- Hab 2:9,10 "Woe to the one who amasses profit upon unjust profit in order to establish his household, so he can establish a secure place on the heights and escape from the power of evil. You have brought shame to yourself by killing many people—you are forfeiting your own life.
- 20. Mar 7:22-23 Makes a person unclean
- Mar 7:22 -23 greed, wickedness, cheating, shameless lust, envy, slander, arrogance, and foolishness. All these things come from inside and make a person unclean."
- 21. 2 Pet 2:3 Immediate destruction
- 2 Pet 2:3 In their greed they will exploit you with deceptive words. The ancient verdict against them is still in force, and their destruction is not delayed.
- 22. Heb 13:5 lose God's protection
- Heb 13:5 Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for God has said, "I will never leave you or abandon you."
- When one starts putting trust in money, God's protection will be lost.
- Eg. God's protection (Personal Experience)
- 23. Leads to betraying own people Jud 16:18
- Jdg 16:18 When Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, "Come up this once, for he has told me all his heart." Then the lords of the Philistines came up to her, and brought the money in their hand.
- God's warning to reject the land offered
- 24. Leads to spreading lies & hiding truth
- Mat 28:15 So they took the money and did as they were told. This saying was spread abroad among the Jews, and continues until today.
- 25.Tempted to buy Holy Spirit
- Act 8:18 Now when Simon saw that the Holy Spirit was given through the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money,
- Act 8:20 But Peter said to him, "May your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of God with money!

Examples

Slide 1. Cletus Vincent

Slide No. 12 Curse of money can make you barren

Years after when I went to conduct a Troop Church, one couple came for counselling and to pray with me for the blessing of a child. They were both working and financially well off. While We were praying,, the Lord revealed the same verse. When I asked the same question, "any unauthorized money, property, land or things have come to your possession? I asked.

They could not recollect any.

But they added some more information. The husband said, my brother has married her sister. She also has not conceived yet.

Then I asked her, "Are you only two sisters"

She said, "I have one more sister. She is the eldest. She has children." . We the younger ones do not have. We are only three sisters. No boys"

Does this verse Isaiah 57:17 mean anything to you?

Isa 57:17 I was angry because of the iniquity of his covetousness, and struck him; I hid myself and was angry; and he went on backsliding in the way of his heart.

Then the husband was showing sign to the wife to tell something. She in turn did the same to her husband. Finally the husband, started narrating something.

These three girls were looked after well by their parents. But the eldest sister, while studying, fell in love with a boy. She wanted to marry him. The parents were against it. They tried their best to turn her heart away from this marriage. But one day she ran away with that boy and they got married. My parents became so angry that they made a promise.

My parents will not support her in marriage or after the marriage. None of her things will be given to her . She will not get any portion of the property they have.

So they wrote the property in our name. She showed a chain which she was wearing

"This was the favourite of my elder sister. My parents while dividing the property gave it to me.". Both of them while confessing it showed expressions, as if they were ashamed of wearing it.

"Does she have children" I asked.

"Yes. She has" they said.

"Now do you know the reason why this curse has come to you?".

"Yes . Her tears. Her mental agony, rejection . She would have cried to the Lord in her pain."

Now both the sisters are put in prison (Mat. 18:35).

What is the solution" They asked.

The parents instead of dividing the property into three divided it into two. Can you both give back her portion to her? I asked.

"We are ready to give this chain back and what ever is due to her. But she is financially far well off than us. It look so silly to take this chain to her." It will be like insulting them."

This incident taught me another lesson how barrenness can come as a curse of enjoying the unauthorised wealth.

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Stinginess- Refuse to share - can bring curse and anger of God

One old man came to attend our training. During counselling he shared his pathetic situation. His wife died all of a sudden. After that he was left at the mercy of his son and daughter in law. He has two sons.

The elder one quarrelled with him in dividing his share of property and went away. He was living with the younger one. After the death of his wife the daughter in law was not willing to take care of him. So his young son also went away. He was living all alone. He expressed his stinginess in his talks.

"I promised my elder son Rs. 25 lakhs. But he did not come. And to the younger one 10 lakhs. (This is apart from the share he has given to them already). Now there is nobody to help me in cooking. I myself cook, make some kanji and keep it for three times. "

I asked him, "Why don't you leave this house, go and live with any of your sons? . They are calling me. But how can I leave my house and everything in it?

This person did not have a Bible. It was compulsory that everybody should bring Bible when they come for the training. He was not willing to buy a Bible from the money in his pocket. We had to find a sponsor for him.

He attended the training. I counselled him. He seems to have changed a little bit. After a few years, I came to know that, he lived in that big house all alone, cooking for himself. Nobody used to visit him due to his extreme stinginess.

When the neighbours saw him not coming out for 3 days, they informed one of his relative. He went and opened the door. He was dead for 3-4 days. Body was full of worms, stinking. They could not even put it in a coffin. But had to pull it out in a mat, dig a pit outside in the yard and bury him as a dead dog or any other animal. Those who saw that became terrified. Such a dreadful sight!

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My personal experiences

The Lord has not allowed me to handle money in ministry. My sisters who are with me do it. Thanks be to them. I did not know it in the beginning. I learned this hard lesson in painful ways.

We follow the system of common "common income and expenses". We while in convent had renounced the authority you can

Even when my elder sister (who is in ministry) was about to get her pension and gratuity money, the cashier asked her a second name for depositing money in the bank, I was prompted to give mine. But on second thoughts, as per the promise we have taken with God while joining the convent, we renounce our right to enjoy money or property. We will be satisfied with whatever is given in common. This principle, which is taken from Acts of Apostles, chapter 2: 44 is taught in the convent when we took the vow of poverty.

Act 2:44 All who believed were together, and had all things in common.

When we came out of the convent, We were liberated from the vows which we took in the Congregation of St. Anne But when I meditated the Bible, Jesus followed the same principle. He did not own anything that is of the world. He did not have a house, property, land, birthplace, tomb, anything. For everything he had to depend on others.

It is said, He enjoyed the hospitality of many,

"With him were the twelve, and certain women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary who was called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out;

and Joanna, the wife of Chuzas, Herod's steward; Susanna; and many others; who served them from their possessions. Luk 8:1-3

But Jesus did not have money with him. Since he had appointed a cashier, his hands were tied up and empty.

For every expense, he had to depend on Judas who was a thief. It is said, he used to steal from the common fund, i.e. offering.

When I came out, I was the only non-earning member in my group. Many times, I was reminded of the

same. This made me depend on my sisters for everything. This comes in the financial discipline of God.

We all know that we will not give a Rs. 2000 note in a baby's hand even though we have plenty of money. It do not know how to use it. It might throw it off, tear it down, leave it somewhere unnoticed, dirty it etc.. My Jesus knew that I was very poor in handling money, and am of no practical experience in using it. In that case, if I had started ministry alone, I would have ended up in failure. God knowing it in His benevolence, granted us sisters with the knowledge of finance management.

When I meditate the word of God, it throws light into the public life and Ministry of Jesus. I wonder what Jesus would have done for his personal needs. He would not have gone to Judas to ask for money. Judas even had gathered the support of disciples for him. Whenever there is a need of buying food for the people, they used to discourage Jesus and avoid such situations.

Mat 14:15 When evening had come, his disciples came to him, saying, "This place is deserted, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves food."

This idea of sending people away would have conceived by Judas. But he gathered support from all the others. So all of them came together saying

Mat 14:16 But Jesus said to them, "They don't need to go away. You give them something to eat."

Jesus knew that they had enough money to buy food . And he was very particular that "they need not go away. You yourselves have to provide them"

Still they are not willing. They bring some negative notion to disperse the crowd.

Mat 14:17 They told him, "We only have here five loaves and two fish."

Then Jesus had to do a miracle to provide food for the people without sending them away to buy food.

Mat 14:18 He said, "Bring them here to me."

Jesus would have suffered all the three years for lack of money. He would not have been in a position even to give alms to anyone. We never read Jesus giving monetary help to anyone.

The Father put Him in such a situation during His public life. We need to notice every word and read it together to get a glimpse of how Jesus lived on earth. Jesus is our model. Not only His words, but He himself is a model and His life on earth is the only model which is given for us to follow.

From the above examples, we saw that Jesus renounced the right to use money while He was on earth.

Jesus would have been offered houses or lands by the Centurion or other people after receiving miracles.

When we were in Trivandrum, Gracy who accommodated us in her house, offered a house for us. The Lord did not allow us to accept it.

Her husband used his influence (His father was secretary/writer) to Mar Ivanios) with the Syro Malankara Archbishop to engage us in the ministry of the diocese.

The Archbishop promised us a ministry in either

- 1. Mothers
- 2. Youth
- 3. Evangelization

With a van and accommodation facility. In those days when we did not have anything of our own, it would have looked precious treasures to us. But our mind did not go after it. The Lord kept us away from all these vain things.

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God's rebuke in asking for and accepting land for ministry

When we started Shekinah Evangelization Ministry as per the command of the Lord, on August 6, 2001, we had to shift places very often. When evil spirits are cast out, sound will come, or the owner of the

house will be terrified or their ministry will be threatened. For some reason or other we will be asked to go away. After every batch of Shekinah, there will be tremendous joy because of the deliverance people got, baptisms, etc. But we, will have to pack up everything, get a vehicle to carry them all, to our place. It was a troublesome job. We use to travel in small vans, through zigzag roads, sometimes without any physical help. So we developed an idea in our mind, "how nice it will be if we have a place of our own". We can keep all the things there safe, need to open the house when the trainings start, everything will be ready.

One day we came to know that one brother whom we have helped a lot while we were in the convent, is in a high position in the government and he still remembers us. So we got an appointment with him and went to meet him to a place of one hour journey. He had a big palatial house and an office extra since he was the secretary to a minister in the government.

He was happy to welcome us. When he came to know that came out of the convent, he was a little embarrassed but did not show it outside. Anyway, he said, "I know you. You will do only good thing wherever you are". Now tell me, what way I can help you out.

I have money, authority in the government, property. What do you want? The other two sisters kept quiet.

I opened my mouth and said, "We do not need anything of our own. We are conducting a training. Many miracles happen there. But we do not have a place of our own. If you can give us some place to conduct that training it will be good."

O.K. How much land do you need? 3 acres, 10 acres, 100 acres? Come with me. Tomorrow I will take you and show the lands. Whichever you want, I will write it in your name."

These words gave us so much of assurance. We were so happy. Returned home to meet him the next day.

After coming back we sat down in prayer to thank God. There was no peace in the heart. No joy in prayer. Prayer was like a routine thing. Songs came from lips. There was some change which I could not recognise. After 15 minutes of lips exercise, I sopped in between and intervened. "I told my sisters, I am not able to pray". Both of them also said the same thing. Then we knew we had gone wrong somewhere.

We surrendered, asked pardon from the Lord for any violations and asked him to show where we have gone wrong. Holy Spirit started rebuking us,

"How many acres of land did you own while you were in the convent? Didn't I ask you to leave and come away? If you need land, you should have asked me. Why did you go to that man to ask for land? Are you ashamed? Etc....W e felt like stripping our skin away! We cried and begged His mercy to forgive us. We said we will never ask for anything from anybody. Only this time please forgive! For one week He did not speak to us. I could not feel His presence. This is the greatest punishment we can ever get in this world. Thrown away from His presence!

Then He told us.

"You are my Army. Have you ever seen Army people going to a place for operation, building houses and dwelling there? They will put up tents, finish the operation as quickly as possible and come away! You should be like that. I will take you to the place where the enemy's fortress is strong. You will be allowed to stay there only till it is broken. Once enemy traces you, you will have to leave the place. I will take you to the next enemy's camp. You will be there unidentified. As soon as they identify you, you will be taken away!

Don't aspire for land, property, houses etc. I am your only portion and inheritance. You should not have anything to possess except me. Since you are My Army, I will provide you the best of everything! Even in the world just like they have Army canteens for military people, I will honour you every way!"

We were so happy to hear from the Holy Spirit, even though it was rebuke.

1Co 11:32 But when we are judged, we are punished by the Lord, that we may not be condemned with the world.

"My son, don't take lightly the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when you are reproved by him; For whom the Lord loves, he chastens, and scourges every son whom he receives." It is for discipline that you endure. God deals with you as with children, for what son is there whom his father doesn't discipline? But if you are without discipline, of which all have been made partakers, then are you illegitimate, and not children. Furthermore, we had the fathers of our flesh to chasten us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much rather be in subjection to the Father of spirits, and live? For they indeed, for a few days, punished us as seemed good to them; but he for our profit, that we may be partakers of his holiness." Heb 12:5-10

De 8:5, Ps 119:71,75, Pro 3:12, Rev 3:19

Slide no. 26

Cheque rejected and given back

I have taken long to understand the ways of the Lord. The Lord speaks to us in various ways. We were inspired to conduct a meeting for all the workplace believers. When we announced that meeting, two well known ministry people in the city offered to come and help us. One is an individual. He claimed to have rich experiences in organizing and conducting big meetings, crusades and conventions. We were happy to have him with us. Another organization came to join us in this venture. The leader told us, "For you this is the first meeting. We have conducted so many meetings like this. So we know how to organize. Only we cannot help you with money because in the last meeting conducted, we had deficits and are in debt."

We did not expect them to do monetary help. We were happy to have them with us. They invited us to their place for meetings. 2 meetings we had. Third meeting, when we reached there by local train, they said, "we have changed the time of the meeting. We can have it in the evening." We have travelled more than one hour to reach his place. We have no other contact around that area. Now where to go? Thanks be to Jesus, one of our brothers went out of the way to help us in this situation. When evening came, we gathered.

The first question they asked me was

"Sister how much money do you have"?

I said. "We do not have any money. Why do you need money?

"How will you conduct such a huge meeting without any money in hand? Bro. X asked me.

I said, "It is not our custom to save and keep money for any projects. Whenever the Lord tells something, we just take the step. Money which is needed, people and all the other provision will follow automatically. This is the way we have travelled our journey so far. So I firmly believe that God who asked us to conduct this meeting will provide for this meeting too". They looked at each other and smiled as if they could not digest what I told them.

They asked the next question, "How many people do you have with you?"

I said, "None. We live in Padappai in Chennai. We are only 5 sisters and a maid who helps us." But why do you need people with us? We have trained almost a lakh people. But we do not keep them with us. We do not have any claim over them. They go back and proclaim Jesus Christ."

One of them explained, "Sister, I am the one who brought a great servant of God, (by name....) to the city of Chennai for the first time. I had saved and collect ------lakhs of Rupees. I had the support of all the Churches. But the previous day, all the chairs came. But there was nobody to spread it. So I had to go to the main road, stop the rikshaw wallahs, lorry drivers, and all those who passed by, provided them with wages and still all the chairs were not spread. This is the situation. You ask for what we need volunteers."

They again looked at each other and smiled this time, cynically. We listened to them. At the first glance, to say, it created fears in me.

It made me ask questions to myself, "Did I hear from the Lord? Is it the Lord or devil who is guiding me? Experienced people say this kind of advices? Should I depend upon them, go their way of advices, or

follow the same way as we have been led so far?

We prayed together. Those days we were in fasting and prayer. When I came to my place and prayed, a small shrill voice in me said, "It is me who guided you so far. Do not look upon the people. They show you the ways of the world. Look at the ways how I have been guiding you so far. How did you start Shekinah training without a pai in your hand?

How this many Shekinahs are going on without any money collection not even mentioning the word "money"

How you got this place by my guidance, without enough money in your hand, how you have been paying the rent for the last 9 years every month at the right time, without any dues?

It was the Holy Spirit speaking. I got the assurance. I decided to discard yesterday's talks. When I thought of the meetings, and again going to the same place for the meetings, a kind of terror, unpleasant feelings covered me. I started thinking how to avoid them in the future meetings.

That day I received a mail from the head of the organization (who is a well known figure even today in the ministry world). The content went somewhat like this.

"How dare you organize such a meeting without enough money and people with you? You are going to make the name of the Lord a scandal by organizing such a meeting."

It was saddening. I came to know for sure from this incident that, the well known leaders of ministry, today are not on the right track. They do not have the experience of faith. They walk by what they see, not by faith. So I took a strong decision to discard them all, their help, guidance, and go by the decisions which the Holy Spirit, even though I am not sure of anything now.

But I when I recollected, I knew He will guide us then and there as He has done so far. This was a great learning.

Even before this, we had met all the big leaders and chief pastors of the city for inviting them for the meeting. I had not learned the lesson that they work against the plans of God and I cannot join hands with them. On Aug 14, 2012the Lord had clearly told me that "Leaders of the Organizations are my no. 1 enemy. They are the ones who rebel against me".

But I forgot to understand it in this context and another brother who joined with us in this venture as a counsellor was an adorer or pastors and their Churches. (It took still more months for him to understand the Lord's strategies). The Lord had united him with us in conducting this meeting.

When we went to invite the pastors, we gave the applications for registration in thousands to them. In thousands, we handed it over to them. 3000, 5000, 4000, 1000 etc. We expected them to distribute it among the believers, motivate them to attend this meeting, collect the registration fees Rs 100/-from them and hand over it to the "Jesus at Workplace committee" so that we can meet all the expenses by that.

On the last day only we came to know that, many believers had registered, by paying money to their pastors. But the previous day, the total we got is Rs. 2500/- that is from 25 people. So we could not guess how many are going to come. Huge preparations were made to accommodate more than 25,000 people. Any way everything was met. Totally minimum 10,000 people attended. Some say, 15,000, some say, 1 lakh. I do not know exactly how many. None of the pastors collected the money from the believers and gave to us. The Lord provided for everything. The meeting was a grand success. As the Lord had clearly stated, not to allow any pastor to get to the stage, we made it a believers' function. Even for anointing, only believers were on the stage.

After about one month, one chief pastor sent a cheque for Rs. 1 lakh through a brother who is well known to us. He received it happily and gave it to us when he met us next. That same day, I could not sleep. My sleep was disturbed. I got up, went to the prayer room and asked God, Lord is there anything you want to convey with me?

Then He started showing me one cheque in front of my eyes. It was an abomination in the eyes of God. The Lord hated it.

(I have not seen the cheque which the pastor had given). But I saw an amount written 1 lakh. So I knew it was the same cheque which the Lord is showing.

I felt like tearing it off and putting it in the waste basket. I wanted to do it immediately. But I could not do it because it was with the sisters and they were sleeping. 2.00 pm at night.

I was happy when the Lord gave the reply. I was waiting for 5.00 clock for the sisters to wake up, to tell them what happened, to get the check and destroy it. When I told them they were of the same opinion, agreed, and decided to give back the check through the same source it was sent. There was tremendous peace after we took the decision.

When the brother came, we gave it back. But he felt embarrassed how to give it back? What reason to tell? We prayed and asked the Holy Spirit how to give it back without offending him?

The Holy Spirit showed the words that this is the blood money squeezed out of innocent people. We have to tell him,

'We are not in need of money now. All the needs of the meeting were met. May be this will be of use to somebody else who is in much more need than us. Thank you"

That settled the issue.

We thank God for the wisdom He gave us in all these.

Exercise

Write a prophetical prayer releasing our politicians, Govt officers, Finance holders from the clutches of the love of money. Love of money and corruption is deep rooted in our nation.

Let us deliver them and cut the roots off . 1 page with Bible verses.