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- 4 ☐ **1. Objective**

Examine Biblical teaching about money in order to align our heart with God's, enabling us to demonstrate our love for God by living righteously in the financial area of our lives
- 5 ☐ **2. Underlying message of this seminar**

The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith. 1 Timothy 1:5 (NLT)
- 6 ☐ **From mind to heart**
- 7 ☐ **3. Presuppositions**
 - As followers of Christ and students of the Word of God, you are practicing many, if not all, of the principles contained in this seminar and, therefore, you may already be familiar with them
 - Though these principles are developed from an inductive "survey" of Scripture and are intended to be faithful to its teaching, the included Bible references permit further in-depth investigation, criticism, discussion, and content improvement in order to be increasingly more faithful to the Word of God
 - By assembling them into one comprehensive framework, my hope is that these principles will be a useful body of knowledge for your personal application as well as a resource for teaching others
- 8 ☐ **4. Cultural issues**
- 9 ☐ **5. Sources and acknowledgements**
 - The Bible: NIV, NLT, KJV, NAS, ESV, RSV, others; all quotes are from the NIV unless noted otherwise
 - 40 Day Journey to a more Generous Life by Brian Kluth, pastor of Generosity, 1st Evangelical Free Church, Colorado Springs, Colorado, USA; (kluth.org)
 - "7 Keys to Open-Handed Living in a Tight-Fisted World" by Brian Kluth; (kluth.org)
 - Ron Blue, "Master your Money" (ronblue.com; kingdomadvisors.org)
 - Larry Burkett, Dave Ramsey, and other Christian financial counselors
 - Rob Caminiti, former Sr. Pastor, First EFC of Colorado Springs
 - Matthew Henry's Concise Commentary
 - Various other resources from commentaries, books, pamphlets, seminars and the internet
- 10 ☐ **Ron Blue**
- 11 ☐ **Brian Kluth**
- 12 ☐ **6. Author's personal information**
 - My formal education is electrical engineering (BSEE) and business (MBA). I do not have formal Biblical training, so I expect to learn much from you theologians! Your comments and questions during this seminar are invited.
 - I worked for Hewlett-Packard Co from 1967-91, practiced as an entrepreneur and business owner for since 1979, and participated in a few home remodeling and construction projects as an avocation. There was considerable overlap between these three careers, resulting in a lot of late nights!
 - I felt a call from the Lord to missions when I was at the University. I had no idea God would

eventually lead me to India in 1998 and many times since then.

13 ☐ **Author's personal information** (cont'd)

- I received the Lord Jesus Christ as my Savior when I was 7 years old under the discipleship of my father.
- My dad taught me basic biblical principles of stewardship and money management as I grew up.
- I married a Christian woman, my soul-mate, who shares my commitment to Biblical stewardship.
- As God blessed our marriage, I searched the Scriptures to better understand God's desire for the resources He entrusted to us. This seminar is a result of decades of continuous learning and practicing Biblical principles of stewardship.

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14 ☐ **Let's take a closer look at Scriptural teaching about money and wealth**

15 ☐ **Ten Biblical principles about money and wealth**