

# Freedy-Up

financial living



# Money Motivation Quiz

- **Complete the Quiz**
- **Refer to “Understanding the Results of Your Money Motivation Quiz”**
- **Discussion**

# What is the Good \$ense Ministry?

- A financial stewardship ministry based in the local church.
- Supports the pastor in the difficult ministry of encouraging congregations to honor God with their money and possessions.
- Money is removed as a rival god and as a barrier to spiritual growth-called transformation stewardship.

# What is the Good \$ense Ministry?

Vision-to see the local churches have a financial stewardship ministry that teaches, trains, and supports its members in biblical stewardship.

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Mission-to empower local church leadership to implement and sustain year-round, biblically based, financial stewardship ministries that facilitate spiritual growth and financial freedom.

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## Values

- Biblically based
- Transformational
- Local church owned and delivered
- Culturally relevant and easily understood
- Cost effective

# Is the Good \$ense Budget Course still supported?

- Continuing to serve those churches who have trained teachers of the Budget Course in place and desire to continue to use this resource.
- Replacement Leader's Guides are available as a free download and Participant's Guides are available at a reduced price of \$9.99.
- Website:  
[www.goodsenseministry.com/resources/budcourseExp.asp](http://www.goodsenseministry.com/resources/budcourseExp.asp)

# Freed-Up Financial Living

- ***Freed-Up Financial Living*** refreshes and expands on the time-tested, life-changing **Good \$ense Budget Course** that has been used in more than 5,000 churches.
- It is one of the studies recommended by the **United Methodist Church**.



# Course Goals

- **To become grounded in a biblical understanding of a proper relationship to money and possessions**
- **To commit to and begin developing a biblically-based Spending Plan**

# At the End of the Course

**You will have:**

- **The first draft of a usable Spending Plan**
- **The knowledge in your head to implement it**
- **A commitment in your heart to follow through on it.**

# Participant's Role

- **Complete pre-work prior to beginning the course. The information requested is confidential, and no one else will see it.**
  - **Pre-work is used throughout the course to establish their Spending Plan.**
- **Supplies: pencils, erasers and pocket calculator.**
- **If multi-day format, complete suggested questions and homework assignments.**
- **Pray for guidance and the ability to follow through both during and following the course**

# Facilitator's Role

**Promotion (can be with Stewardship Committee)**

- **From perspective of what you want *for* people (peace, joy, and freedom) that come from managing their finances according to biblical principles.**
- **It is not about what you want *from* them.**
- **Dispel the perception that stewardship is a way for the church to get participants to give more money.**
- **The course is not for those in deep financial trouble.**
- **It applies across the economic continuum.**

# Facilitator's Role cont.

## Facilitating Course

- Ensure logistics for the course are in place for each session.
- Ensure participants feel at ease and understand that the course is grace-filled and non-judgmental.
  - Create a “safe” environment.
- Facilitate and “time keep”.
- Anticipate questions.
  - FAQs for facilitators are posted on the Freed-Up section of Good \$ense website ([www.goodsenseministry.com](http://www.goodsenseministry.com)).
- Interject stories/testimonies of your own to supplement.

# Quick-Start Guide

Steps to getting started with the *Freed-Up Financial Living* course:

- Register your purchase
- Review your course materials
- Choose how you will use the course
- Purchase Participant's Workbooks
- Teach the course
- Consider launching a Good \$ense Ministry

# Register your purchase

Visit [www.goodsenseministry.com](http://www.goodsenseministry.com)  
and click on “Good \$ense User  
Registration” to get connected to a  
wealth of ministry resources.

(Life Change Stories, More Good \$ense  
on-line newsletter, Willow magazine  
articles on stewardship)

# Review the course materials

- **User-friendly**
- **Foundational**
- **Teaching DVD**
- **Participant's Workbook**
- **Bonus materials**

# Bonus Materials

Can be found at

[www.willowcreek.com/freedup/bonus](http://www.willowcreek.com/freedup/bonus)

- Teaching Tools
- Marketing Tools

# Teaching Tools

- **Facilitator's Guide**
- **Implementation Guide**
- **Pre-Work**
- **Spending Plan**
- **Spending Record**
- **Debt Calculator**

# Marketing Tools

**All downloadable:**

- **Cover Image High Res**
- **Cover Image Low Res**
- **Poster Template 8.5x14”**
- **Poster Template 8.5x11”**
- **Tri-fold Brochure**

# Choose how you will use the course

- **Consists of six, 60 minute sessions.**
- **Taught entirely on DVD.**
- **Each participant uses the *Participant's Workbook* to work through the contents and exercises in the course.**
- **Designed to offer flexibility in how the course is offered, and can be used in a variety of environments.**

# Options for teaching

- **Option A:** Use the course in a one-day or several day seminar format
- **Option B:** Use the course as a six-week small group curriculum
- **Option C:** Use the course individually or with a spouse

If you present the workshop in a multi-day format, be sure to note the suggested questions and homework assignments mentioned in the Seminar Facilitator's Guide which can be downloaded from the bonus material website.

# Six Sessions of Course

1. Two Masters, One Servant
2. Earning and Giving
3. Giving and Saving
4. Debt
5. Spending
6. Adjusting the Spending Plan and Commitment

# Purchase Participant's Workbooks

- Purchase participant workbooks well in advance so you can have the option of distributing them when people register for the course.
- You can establish a timeline for completing the pre-work materials prior to the first session.
- Quantity discounts now available [www.willowcreek.com/freedup](http://www.willowcreek.com/freedup) or 800-570-9812.

# Quantity Discounts

[www.willowcreek.com/freedup](http://www.willowcreek.com/freedup)

Quantity	Retail	WCA Member
1-20 Guides	\$17.99 each	\$14.39 each
21-50 Guides	\$16.19 each	\$12.95 each
51-100 Guides	\$15.29 each	\$12.23 each
101+ Guides	\$14.39 each	\$11.51 each



# Go for it! Teach everyone!

## Offer the course to:

- Entire congregation
- Key Leaders
- Church staff
- Small groups
- Confirmation class
- Membership classes
- Pre-marital counseling
- Outreach

# Launch a Good \$ense Ministry

**Good \$ense resources provide everything you need to launch a year-round stewardship ministry that transforms lives. For more information, see the *Ministry Implementation Guide* available at [www.willowcreek.com/freedup/bonus](http://www.willowcreek.com/freedup/bonus)**

