

## **FAITH & MONEY: DEBT**

As preached on Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>

**Read:** Proverbs 22:7

1. Our lesson this week is focused upon debt. How would you define debt?
2. How can debt affect us: Physically? Emotionally? Spiritually?
3. The clip we watched on Sunday from Saturday Night Live presents a very simple solution to debt. If it's so simple to avoid debt, why are so many struggling with it? (dig deep on this one)
4. In what ways is debt a form of "voluntary slavery"? Take a moment to read Exodus 21:2-11. What similarities exist between those ancient Hebrew servants and modern-day debt?
5. Debt really is a faith issue. On Sunday we compared and contrasted a faith in God and a faith in credit. Summarize that comparison below.
6. In what ways can you avoid voluntarily assuming unnecessary debt given your current life situation? (be specific)
7. In the space below, take a moment to list your current debts. Which of these would you classify as "voluntary" and which would you classify as "unavoidable"? What is your plan to eliminate this existing debt?
8. A believer who is debt-free is more available to serve God than one who is laden with debt. Name one additional way that you would like to serve God once your voluntary debts have been reduced.