

LOST 4 :: YOU ARE NOT ALONE :: ANDY STANLEY WITH MATT & KATE TICHON

INTRODUCTION

Student loans, maxed out credit cards and a plastic wedding left Matt and Kate newly married and already carrying \$100,000 dollars in consumer debt. Their situation was severe but also symptomatic of where our culture pushes us financially. In this session we will discuss how God's faithfulness and following His financial principles can revolutionize your financial world.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Matt and Kate found it very easy to slip into a lot of debt. What are the reasons people go into debt?
- 2. What has been your experience with debt?
- 3. Read Proverbs 22:7. Why is going into debt unwise?
- 4. What steps do you need to take in order to stay out of debt or get out of debt?
- 5. Matt initially resisted tithing. What the reasons that people do not tithe?
- 6. What has been your experience with tithing?
- 7. Read Malachi 3:10. Why is tithing the wise thing to do?
- 8. What in the Tichon's story has inspired you to make changes in your finances?

THINK ABOUT IT

Matt and Kate Tichon shared their financial story—from unwise decision making and upside down living to watching God provide as they followed His financial principles. What is your story so far? Write out your story and reflect upon where you have been and where you are financially.

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Do you have a plan to get out of debt? If you don't, use Dave Ramsey's Debt Snowball plan as a start. www.mytotalmoneymakeover.com/media/pdf/debt_snowball_sample.pdf

CHANGING YOUR MIND

The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender. Proverbs 22:7