**Week 2**

**Group Discussion Questions**

**Leaders:** Please find below not only the group discussion questions for this week but also a summary of the major points from chapter two of The ABC’s of Financial Freedom and Doyle’s sermon for your convenience. Also, feel free to discuss anything else that came up in the workbook.

**Group Discussion Questions:**

Dave Ramsey said we tend to buy things on the “lay awake” plan. Can you share about a purchase or financial decision you later regretted or stressed over?

Contentment is one of the key ideas here, centered on the belief that “I already have enough.” What is one area of life in which you need to remind yourself that you already have enough? What kind of excess tempts you the most?

Mark Twain said, “The secret of getting ahead is getting started.” If you got serious about eliminating debt in your life, where would be the easiest place to get started?

Can you share an example of how you waited and paid cash for something that you had been tempted to buy on credit? What was that experience like for you?

What concepts in this week’s reading did you find the most helpful?

What concepts in this week’s reading did you find the most challenging?

**Summary of This Week’s Teaching**

In The ABC’s of Financial Freedom, the “B” is for bondage. The Bible teaches that the one who borrows becomes a slave to the lender.

**Some key verses:**

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

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another… (Romans 13:8)

**Three Indicators of Financial Bondage:**

* Deepening Debt
* Making Minimum Payments
* No Giving or Saving

**Truths About Debt:**

* Debt Affects Everything
* The Bible Does Not Forbid Debt, But Discourages It
* The Longest Term of Debt Was 7 Years
* Get Out Of Debt ASAP
* Jesus Endorsed The Use of Banks
* Be a Lender, Not a Borrower