

# MONEY

## Proxe Script

1. **Invite.** Come, spin the dial and see how you would spend \$1 million!
2. **Introduce yourself, state your purpose, and ask permission.** We're with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and we're talking with people about money, our hopes for the future, and spirituality. Would you like to participate?
3. **Panel 1:** Spin the dial. *(After it is finished spinning, announce their answer and make it fun.)* We don't actually have \$1 million for you, but if we did, how would you spend it? *(Hand them a money sticker to vote on the answers below.)*
4. **Panel 2:** College students are broke, we don't have \$1 million. But how about if someone gave you \$25? How would you spend \$25 for yourself? How about for the world? *(Invite them to respond by placing a money sticker in each column).* Why did you pick those?

Is there anything wrong with just living our lives in the left column and doing nothing for the world? We in InterVarsity think that spirituality and God shape how we live in the left and right columns. Do you have time to talk a little more about this?

3. **Panel 3:** God has some strong words to say about just living for ourselves. Check out this story from the Bible about a guy who lives his life in the left column. *(Have them read the story from Luke 12)*
  - Do you agree with God's response to the farmer? Why or why not?
  - The issue in this story is clueless selfishness. Simply trying to stop being selfish doesn't always produce lasting change in our lives. How about you...what are you doing to get rid of the problem of selfishness in your own life?
  - I believe that God offers us a lasting solution to our inclination to just live our lives cluelessly in the left column, a solution that produces joy in my life and change for the Globe.
4. **Panel 4:** Would you like to hear what this solution is? (next page) →

5. **Invite them to respond.** How about you? What would it take for you to let Jesus into your selfishness and transform you from the inside out?

### CIRCLE 1

But God did not intend for my selfishness to be the center of the story. God created us with his love and lavish generosity at the center of the story, and we did the same for each other. God created us to be **generous** and **compassionate** people, just like God is toward us.

But we thought, "We will do better on our own. We **don't need God.**" With ourselves at the **center of the story**, we became interested in satisfying our own needs instead of letting God do that, and we ignored the needs of others. Because of these opposing values, we had a major falling out with God.

Our selfishness caused the **brokenness** that we see all around us: we are separated from God, we have broken relationships, and we have contributed to injustice all around us. This is our fate because of our choices.

### CIRCLE 4

After I make the **most important decision** of my life, Jesus gives me his love and power to **send** us out to this selfish, hurting world. We are transformed from the inside out, and we get to live out his love, **hope**, and calling for the rest of our lives!

God's original lavish generosity and compassion extends again to the whole broken world, not just to me. I'm not the only selfish person who needs to know about this amazing, loving, and redeeming God. I don't just receive this new identity, I get to **tell** others of the hope and healing God offers!

### CIRCLE 2

Most of us don't grow up hoping to be self-centered or greedy, but if we're honest, we sometimes act that way and think about ourselves more than anyone else. **Selfishness problem**

We can see the result of this selfishness all around the world, right? There is war, injustice, famine, poverty, corruption, slavery, you name it. **Global and personal selfishness**

The same is true in my life. *(Give an example of when you are selfish or greedy, like how you spend your money).*

Ask him/her: **"What bothers you most about our messed up world?"**

**Share from the heart:** "It bothers me when \_\_\_\_\_. I want things to be better than this."

### CIRCLE 3

God didn't give up on us though. He **intervened** to deal with our selfishness by coming into our messed up world as **Jesus**.

First, God had to deal with the selfishness in our **hearts**. He says, "Let me **transform** your selfishness and sin. Let me give you my heart and life. Are you willing to **trust me** and let me **pay** for your selfishness? Let me take the pain on myself."

I say, "I open my selfishness to you. I trust you and the power of your death and resurrection to transform me."