

## GOD'S PLAN FOR FINANCIAL BLESSING

Discover Your Destiny  
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### TWO STATEMENTS FROM JESUS

Jesus: "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." Luke 12:15 (NIV)

"I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own? No one can serve two masters. . . . You cannot serve both God and money." Luke 16:9-13 (NIV)

- MONEY IS \_\_\_\_\_
- MANAGING MONEY IS A \_\_\_\_\_

### HABITS FOR FINANCIAL BLESSING

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
"For everything comes from [the LORD] and exists by his power and is intended for his glory." Romans 11:36 (NLT)  
"Remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth." Deuteronomy 8:18 (NIV)  
"Commit your work to the Lord, then it will succeed." Proverbs 16:3 (TLB)
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
"Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty." Proverbs 21:5 (NLT)  
"Lazy hands make for poverty, but diligent hands bring wealth."  
Proverbs 10:4 (NIV)  
"The Lord demands fairness in every business deal. He establishes this principle."  
Proverbs 16:11 (TLB)  
"A hard worker has plenty of food, but a person who chases fantasies has no sense." Proverbs 12:11 (NLT)

"Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows over time." Proverbs 13:11 (NLT)

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
"Riches can disappear fast . . . so watch your business interests closely. Know the state of your flocks and your herds." Proverbs 27:23-24 (TLB)  
"On every Lord's Day each of you should put aside something from what you have earned during the week, and use it for this offering. The amount depends on how much the Lord has helped you earn." 1 Corinthians 16:2 (TLB)
4. \_\_\_\_\_  
"Honor the Lord by giving him the first part of all your income, and he will fill your barns . . . and overflow." Proverbs 3:9-10 (TLB)  
"The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives."  
Deuteronomy 14:23 (TLB)  
"Bring to the storehouse a full tenth of what you earn . . . Test me in this,' says the Lord All-Powerful. 'I will open the windows of heaven for you and pour out all the blessings you need." Malachi 3:10 (NCV)
5. \_\_\_\_\_  
"The wise man saves for the future, but the foolish man spends whatever he gets."  
Proverbs 21:20 (TLB)  
"Money that comes easily disappears quickly, but money that is gathered little by little will grow." Proverbs 13:11 (NCV)  
"Develop your business first before building your house." Proverbs 24:27 (TLB)
6. \_\_\_\_\_  
"Don't withhold repayment of your debts." Proverbs 3:27 (TLB)  
"Let no debt remain outstanding." Romans 13:8 (NIV)
7. \_\_\_\_\_  
"Plan carefully and you will have plenty; if you act too quickly, you will never have enough." Proverbs 21:5 (GNT)  
"The earnings of the godly enhance their lives, but evil people squander their money on sin." Proverbs 10:16 (NLT)  
"Stupid people spend their money as fast as they get it." Proverbs 21:20 (GNT)

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*“It is better to be satisfied with what you have than to always be wanting something else.” Ecclesiastes 6:9 (GNT)*

*“Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and should give happily to those in need, always being ready to share with others whatever God has given them.” 1 Timothy 6:18 (TLB)*

**What most people do:**

1. Spend it
2. Worry about it
3. Repay it
4. Save it
5. Give it

**The order God blesses:**

1. Dedicate it to God
2. Tithe it
3. Save & Invest it
4. Repay it
5. Enjoy it

*“Don’t worry . . . your heavenly Father already knows perfectly well that you need them, and he will give them to you if you give him first place in your life and live as he wants you to.” Matthew 6:31-33 (TLB)*

### *Next Steps*

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