

Biblical **PRINCIPLES OF FINANCES**

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Message Title: Biblical Principles of Finances (Part 2)

Introduction:

1. Spend less than you earn.
2. Avoid the use of debt.

3. Build m_____ (save)

- a. *Proverbs 21:20 There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; But a foolish man spendeth it up.*
- b. 10% for savings is a good place to start
- c. *Proverbs 6:6-8 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; Consider her ways, and be wise: 7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, 8 Provideth her meat in the summer, And gathereth her food in the harvest.*

4. Set l_____ t_____ goals

- a. Select verses from Hebrews 11:1-16.
- b. Your longest-term goal is h_____, and we all are living by faith.
- c. Faith in Jesus redefines e_____.
- d. *Luke 6:38 Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.*
- e. Examples: Eliminate credit card debt, no consumer debt, no car debt, kids' college debt free, have some savings, retirement plan, house paid for.
- f. Benjamin Franklin said, "If you fail to plan, you are planning to fail."

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5. Give g_____

- a. Giving produces j_____.
- b. TITHE: literally means one-tenth.
- c. *Malachi 3:6–10 For I am the Lord, I change not; Therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed. 7 Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts. But ye said, Wherein shall we return? 8 Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. 9 Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, Even this whole nation. 10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be meat in mine house, And prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, If I will not open you the windows of heaven, And pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.*
- d. Three reasons we give:
 - i. God o_____ it all. (*Luke 12:15*)
 - ii. God is f_____. (*Proverbs 3:9; Matthew 6:33*)
 - iii. I can a_____ to give.
- e. What the first priority in your finances?
- f. Where are you putting the pressure: on your giving or on your lifestyle?

Conclusion:

Have you learned contentment? (*Philippians 4:11*)

You can love God and have m_____,
but you can't love money and have G_____. (*Matthew 6:24*)

What do you need to change in your life to honor God with your finances?

