

Bible Study – January 17, 2018

BETWEEN DEBT AND THE DEVIL PART II - FINANCIAL INTEGRITY

In order for the Child of God to take full command over our finances, live a life free from the bondage of debt, we must first learn God's principles of Financial Stewardship, and seek to diligently apply them in our lives.

I. What does scripture say about financial integrity?

He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves abundance with its income. This too is vanity. **Ecclesiastes 5:10**

Make sure that your character is free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, "I WILL NEVER DESERT YOU, NOR WILL I EVER FORSAKE YOU," **Hebrews 13:5**

The wicked borrows and does not pay back, But the righteous is gracious and gives. **Psalms 37:21**

A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, And the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous. **Proverbs 13:22**

The plans of the diligent lead surely to advantage, But everyone who is hasty comes surely to poverty. **Proverbs 21:5**

II. In Debt We Trust Documentary (Continued)

Questions for Discussion:

- a. What are some of the things that shape our view of money and influence our personal spending habits?
- b. What role does marketing play in the spending cycle and how does it potentially contribute to the Debt trap?

1. Be HONEST with YOURSELF about your FINANCIAL HABITS.

No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other You cannot serve God and wealth. **Matthew 6:24**

2. Ask God to give you WISDOM in FINANCIAL matters.

Go to the ant, O sluggard, Observe her ways and be wise, Which, having no chief, Officer or ruler, Prepares her food in the summer And gathers her provision in the harvest. **Proverbs 6:6-8**

3. PRAY over all of your PURCHASES.

"For which one of you, when he wants to build a tower, does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if he has enough to complete it? **Luke 14:28**

4. Ask God to give you WISDOM and DISCERNMENT in all your decision making.

Happy are those who find wisdom, and those who get understanding, for her income is better than silver, and her revenue better than gold. She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. Proverbs 3:13-15

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