SERMON NOTES

Sunday, January 25, 2009

"<u>FINDING FINANCIAL FREEDOM</u>" (Luke 16:11)

Financial issues touch everyone's life. Worries, struggles, and fears are common to us all. We feel it personally but the impact is much greater than just personal. There are eternal implications to our financial situations and financial stewardship. What does God's word have to say about managing our money in ways that honor God and impact eternity for Christ?

1. Keep good	(Proverbs 27:23-24).
2. Plan your	(Proverbs 21:5).
3. Save for the 21:20).	(Proverbs
4. Return ten percent	(Proverbs 3:9-10).
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5. Enjoy what ______ (Ecclesiastes 6:9).

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"FINDING FINANCIAL FREEDOM FROM DEBT"

(Luke 16:11)

1. KEEP GOOD <u>RECORDS</u> (Proverbs 27:23-24).

"Be sure you know the condition of your flocks, give careful attention to your herds; for riches do not endure forever, and a crown is not secure for all generations" (Proverbs 27:23-24, NIV).

Ignorance of your financial condition + **easy credit** = **disaster**

2. PLAN YOUR <u>SPENDING</u> (Proverbs 21:5).

"The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty" (Proverbs 21:5, NIV).

"Fools spend whatever they get" (Proverbs 21:20, NLT).

3. SAVE FOR THE <u>FUTURE</u> (Proverbs 21:20).

"In the house of the wise are stores of choice food and oil" (Proverbs 21:20, NIV).

4. RETURN TEN PERCENT <u>BACK TO GOD</u> (Proverbs 3:9-10).

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, says the LORD Almighty, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it" (Malachi 3:10, NIV).

"Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing" (Proverbs 3:9-10, NIV).

1. It's an act of <u>gratitude</u> for the past.

2. It's an act of <u>priority</u> in the present.

3. It's a statement of <u>faith</u>.

5. ENJOY WHAT <u>YOU HAVE</u> (Ecclesiastes 6:9).

"Enjoy what you have rather than desiring what you don't have. Just dreaming about nice things is meaningless—like chasing the wind" (Ecclesiastes 6:9, NLT).

"Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have" (Hebrews 13:5, NIV).