

**Series: Managing Life**

**Topic: Manage money**

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**Week 1:** Manage thought life

“My thoughts are like train tracks; And my actions are like the train”

**Week 2:** Manage Money+

**2 Things The Bible Talks About The Most**

- 1) Sex/relationships
- 2) Money

**2 Things The Church Is Bad At Talking About**

- 1) Sex/relationships
- 2) Money

**Ways to trust God with our Finances in the real world**

**1. Courage to Face my Problems**

Ecclesiastes 7:14a

When times are good, be happy;  
but when times are bad, consider this:  
God has made the one  
as well as the other.

‘God, give me the courage to face this, not just worry about it, not just ignore it, but to face the reality of it all.’

Philippians 4:10-13

<sup>10</sup> I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. <sup>11</sup> I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. <sup>12</sup> I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. <sup>13</sup> I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

‘Whether I have a lot or a little, I can face it! Because God gives me the courage to do so!’

## 2. Trust God for wisdom to plan my spending.

Ecclesiastes 5:11

The more you have, the more people come to help you spend it. So what good is wealth—except perhaps to watch it slip through your fingers!

**Question to ask ourselves:** ‘Do I believe that God cares enough about me that I can trust Him with my finances?’

James 1:5

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

### A. Prioritize your needs and goals.

Proverbs 24:27

Put your outdoor work in order

and get your fields ready;

after that, build your house.

### B. Prepare a Workable Plan

Proverbs 21:5

The plans of the diligent lead to profit

as surely as haste leads to poverty.

### C. Put it into practice

Proverbs 27:23

<sup>23</sup> Be sure you know the condition of your flocks,

give careful attention to your herds;

## 3. I need Faith to give my tithe

Mark 12:41-44

<sup>41</sup> Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. <sup>42</sup> But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

<sup>43</sup> Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. <sup>44</sup> They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.”

Proverbs 3:9

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops;

Philippians 4:19

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

#### **4. I need to have discipline**

Proverbs 22:7

The rich rule over the poor,

and the borrower is slave to the lender.

The Point of Debt: Ask - ‘what am I doing with it? I’m making a choice, what is my plan?’

Romans 13:8

<sup>8</sup> Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.

Proverbs 13:11

<sup>11</sup> Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears;  
wealth from hard work grows over time.

#### **5. I need time to check my heart.**

Matthew 6:21

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Hebrews 13:5

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said,

“Never will I leave you;  
never will I forsake you.”