



Financial Freedom (Selected)
Sunday, January 16, 2022 AVBC 10:30 am

The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is slave to the lender. (Proverbs 22:7)

For the LORD your God will bless you as he has promised, and you will lend to many nations but will borrow from none. You will rule over many nations but none will rule over you... The LORD will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none. (Deuteronomy 15:6; 28:12)

F _____ **on God first** (Psalm 50:14,15,23)

If you don't honour God with your _____ then don't expect Him to help you with your _____.

-Mark 12:13-17, Malachi 3:10

So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (Matt.6:31-33)

R _____ **out a financial plan.**

Finish your outdoor work and get your fields ready; after that, build your house. (Proverbs 24:27) (also Proverbs 15:22)

- Pay _____ (tithes/offerings)
- Pay your _____ (needs)
- Pay _____ (savings)
- Pay for _____ . (wants)

E _____ **your priorities**

For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. (1 Tim. 6:7-8)

- Be _____ that your basic needs are met
- Be _____ that your basic needs are met
- Be able to _____ for your basic needs

Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. (Romans 13:7)

E _____ **God to answer when you call**

If you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good gifts to those who ask Him. (Matt.7:11)(NLT)

Commit your work to the LORD, and then your plans will succeed... We can make our plans, but the LORD determines our steps. (Proverbs 16:3,9)(NLT)

Before you _____ for it, _____ for it!

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(For use in personal/family devotions or with your care group)

- Q1: What kinds of things put people in bondage?
- Q2: How does financial debt put people into bondage?
- Q3: In what ways is debt more of a spiritual issue than just financial or social?
- Q4: How has putting God first in your life helped you financially?
- Q5: Why do you think it is often very hard to create a budget? ...keep a budget?
- Q6: If someone asked you for financial advice, what would you say?
- Q7: How has the world blurred the line between needs and wants?
- Q8: What can we learn about debt from the following passages: II Kings 4:1-7, I Timothy 6:6-10, Matthew 18:21-35, Romans 13:8-10, Luke 7:36-50