

FIRST STEPS CLASS

Lesson 4: Faith & Your Finances

Your monetary choices are intended to reflect your Father's will, as you are a manager (not owner) of what He's given.

1. What do my finances have to do with God?

- a. He has given us everything we have (including our money).
- b. He has given us specific goals to accomplish with that money.
- c. Since He has given us the money to accomplish His mission, we are obligated to manage it as instructed.

2. What are my financial obligations from God?

- a. Provide for those in your care (1 Tim. 5:8).
- b. Pay all government-mandated taxes & fees (Matt. 22:16-21, Rom. 13:1-7, 1 Pet. 2:13-15).
- c. Support those who spiritually feed you (1 Tim. 5:17-18, 1 Cor. 9:4-14, Gal. 6:6, 3 John 1:5-8, Rom. 15:25-27).
- d. Give to help the needy (Luke 12:22-34, Matt. 25:31-46, Acts 2:42-47, 2 Cor. 9:5-15, James 2:14-18, 1 Tim. 5:3).
- e. Save (if able) for your future & your children's future (Prov. 13:22).
- f. Enjoy your life (1 Tim. 6:17, Ecc. 5:18-20, Deut. 20:3-7).

3. What are some helpful tips for my finances?

- a. Plan what *you* want your money to do, don't wait to see where it naturally goes.
- b. Do your important obligations first (Give to God, taxes, housing, utilities, food, clothing), then see what you have for enjoyment & generosity.
- c. Avoid spending what you don't have.

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