

Unshackled

Romans 13:6-8 For because of this you also pay taxes, for *rulers* are servants of God, devoting themselves to this very thing. 7 Render to all what is due them: tax to whom tax is *due*; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor. 8 Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled *the* law.

God cares about our finances.

- Money is an indicator of our spiritual condition.
- Debt can put people in bondage.
- Debt can show possessions have become our god.
- God does not want us to be a slave to anything or anyone but Him.
- 100% of our finances belong to God.
- Money can be a tool through which God blesses others and accomplishes His will on earth.

Biblical Perspective on Debt

- Debt is a form of _____ – Proverbs 22:7
- The Bible warns about _____ upon the future.
Proverbs 27:1
- The Bible does not specifically say borrowing money is a sin.
- When money is borrowed, it should be _____.
Psalm 37:21

1. _____ It

1 Timothy 6:10 For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

- 1st step to overcoming a problem: Admit you have one.

2. _____ It

Romans 12:1-2 Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, *which is* your spiritual service of worship. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

- We claim our identity as followers of Jesus.

3. _____ It

Definition of frame: create or formulate

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

- **Ask God for help and make a commitment to _____ your finances God's way.**

Matthew 7:7-8 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ⁸For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened."

- **Make a commitment to _____ and contentment.**
Hebrews 13:5 "Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have..."
- **Stop going further into _____.**
Matthew 5:30 "And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell."
- **Develop a _____ and stick to it.**
Malachi 3:10
- **Seek _____.**
Proverbs 19:20 "Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise."

4. _____ **It**
- Discipline comes from the same word as _____.
Galatians 5:22-23

2 Corinthians 10:5 *We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ.*