

Surrendering Your Finances to the Lord

Matthew 6:24

»No.one.can.serve.two.masters; .For.you.will.hate.one.and.love.the.other·you.will.be.devoted.to.one.and.despise.the.other; .You.cannot.serve.God.and.be.enslaved.to.money;

Money is a Heart Issue

- Scripture: Matthew 6:19-21 – Don't.store.up.treasures.here.on.earth?where.the.moths.eat.them.and.rust.destroys.them?and.where.thieves.break.in.and.steal;. Wherever.your.treasure.is?there.the.desires.of.your.heart.will.also.be;

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The Rich Young Ruler

Matthew 19:16-22

»Someone.came.to.Jesus.with.this.question;. Teacher?what.good.deed.must.I.do.to.have.eternal.life? .Jesus.says?why.ask.me.about.what.is.good? .There.is.only.One.who.is.good;. But.to.answer.your.question;. if.you.want.to.receive.eternal.life? keep.the.commandments;. Which.ones?the.rich.man.asks? Jesus.replies?you.should.not.murder;. You.must.not.commit.adultery?you.must.not.steal?you.must.not.testify.falsely;. Honor.your.father.and.mother;. Love.your.neighbor.as.yourself;. I've.obeyed.these.commandments?the.young.man.replied;. What.else.must.I.do? Jesus.told.him?If.you.want.to.be.perfect?go.and.sell.all.of.your.possessions.and.give.the.money.to.the.poor?and.you.will.have.treasure.in.Heaven;. Then.come?follow.me;. But.when.the.young.man.heard.this?he.went.away.sad?for.he.had.many.possessions;

God Owns Everything—We Are Stewards

- Scripture: Psalm 24:1 – 'The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it.'

- Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14–30). Again?the.Kingdom.of.Heaven.can.be.illustrated.by.the.story.of.a.man.going.on.a.long.trip;. He.called.together.his.servants.and.entrusted.his.money.to.them.while.he.was.gone;. ⁷⁰He.gave.five.bags.of.silver^[a].to.one?two.bags.of.silver.to.

another?and.one.bag.of.silver.to.the.last– dividing.it.in.proportion.to.their.abilities;He.then.left.on.his.trip;

⁷⁵»The.servant.who.received.the.five.bags.of.silver.began.to.invest.the.money.and.earned.five.more;.⁷⁶The.servant.with.two.bags.of.silver.also.went.to.work.and.earned.two.more;.⁷⁷But.the.servant.who.received.the.one.bag.of.silver.dug.a.hole.in.the.ground.and.hid.the.master's.money;

⁷⁸»After.a.long.time.their.master.returned.from.his.trip.and.called.them.to.give.an.account.of.how.they.had.used.his.money;.⁷⁹The.servant.to.whom.he.had.entrusted.the.five.bags.of.silver.came.forward.with.five.more.and.said?Master?you.gave.me.five.bags.of.silver.to.invest?and.I.have.earned.five.more;"

⁸⁰»The.master.was.full.of.praise;»Well.done?my.good.and.faithful.servant;You.have.been.faithful.in.handling.this.small.amount?so.now.I.will.give.you.many.more.responsibilities;Let's.celebrate.together*^[b]"

⁸¹»The.servant.who.had.received.the.two.bags.of.silver.came.forward.and.said?Master?you.gave.me.two.bags.of.silver.to.invest?and.I.have.earned.two.more;"

⁸²»The.master.said?»Well.done?my.good.and.faithful.servant;You.have.been.faithful.in.handling.this.small.amount?so.now.I.will.give.you.many.more.responsibilities;Let's.celebrate.together*"

Surrender Brings Freedom

- Scripture: 1 Timothy 6:6–10 – Yet.true.godliness.with.contentment.is.itself.great.wealth;

⁶After.all?we.brought.nothing.with.us.when.we.came.into.the.world?and.we.can't.take.anything.with.us.when.we.leave.it;.⁷So.if.we.have.enough.food.and.clothing?let.us.be.content;

⁸But.people.who.long.to.be.rich.fall.into.temptation.and.are.trapped.by.many.foolish.and.harmful.desires.that.plunge.them.into.ruin.and.destruction;.⁹For.the.love.of.money.is.the.root.of.all.kinds.of.evil;And.some.people?craving.money?have.wandered.from.the.true.faith.and.pierced.themselves.with.many.sorrows;

The Take Aways

Money is a heart issue.

God owns it all.

Surrender leads to freedom.

Jesus.gave.everything.for.you;.He.wants.you.fully.devoted.to.Him*