

Financial Freedom
Wrong Ways of Thinking About Money

I. Introduction

II. Wrong ways of thinking about money

A. “All I need is a little bit more!”

1. I Tim. 6:6-8 ⁶*But godliness actually is a means of great gain when accompanied by contentment.* ⁷*For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either.* ⁸*If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.*

B. “It will all work out some how!”

1. Prov. 21:5 (NLT) *Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty.*

2. A Christian Financial Plan (10 - 10 - 80)

(a) The first 10% goes to God.

- (1) Mal. 3:10 *“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test Me now in this,” says the LORD of hosts, “if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows.”*

- (2) Deut. 14:23c (LB) *The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives.*

(b) The second 10% goes to pay yourself.

- (1) Prov. 13:11 (NLT) *Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows.*

(c) The final 80% goes to pay for everything else.

C. “I have plenty of time to do this.”

1. Luke 12:20-21 *“But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your soul is required of you; and now who will own what you have prepared?’*
²¹*“So is the man who stores up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.”*

III. Conclusion

(Unless otherwise indicated all Scripture verses are in the New American Standard Version.)