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God and our Money



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God is interested in our money



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‘Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few pence. Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.”’ Mark 12: 41-44

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**God is interested in our money
because**



God Owns our Money

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‘The earth is the LORD’s, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;’

Psalm 24: 1

‘To the LORD your God belong the heavens, even the highest heavens, the earth and everything in it.’

Deuteronomy 10:14

“‘The silver is mine and the gold is mine,’ declares the LORD Almighty.”

Haggai 2:8

‘You are not your own; you were bought at a price.’

1 Corinthians 6:19-20



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Four approaches to God's money

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.”

Matthew 6:19



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1. Money should not be trusted



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2. Money Should Not Be Loved

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- **A loving family is more valuable than money**

‘Better a small serving of vegetables with love than a fattened calf with hatred.’

Proverbs 15: 17



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- A loving family is more valuable than money
- **Integrity is more valuable than money**

‘Better a little with righteousness than much gain with injustice.’

Proverbs 16:8

‘Better the poor whose walk is blameless than the rich whose ways are perverse.’

Proverbs 28:6



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- A loving family is more valuable than money
- Integrity is more valuable than money
- **A relationship with God is more valuable than money**

‘Better a little with the fear of the LORD than great wealth with turmoil.’

Proverbs 15:16



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3. Money should not be Wasted



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‘Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.’

Matthew 6: 19

‘The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is slave to the lender’

Proverbs 22: 7



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4. Money should be Invested

- Invest Money By Saving



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- **Invest money by giving**



***‘But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven,
where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where
thieves do not break in and steal.’***

Matthew 6: 20

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‘In this context, however, storing up treasures in heaven focuses particularly on the compassionate use of material resources to meet others’ physical and spiritual needs, in keeping with the priorities of God’s kingdom’.

Craig Bloomberg



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