

Five Principles Of Financial Security

1. Keep Good Records

Proverbs 23:23 Buy the truth and sell it not, also wisdom and instruction, and understanding. Get the facts at any price. (TLB)

Proverbs 27:23 Be thou diligent to know the state of your flocks and look well to thy herds.

Proverbs 27:24 For riches are not forever, and does a crown endure to every generation?

Proverbs 24:4 You profit wonderfully by keeping abreast of the facts.

2. Tithe & Give

Proverbs 3:9-10 Honor the Lord with thy substance, with the first fruits of thy increase. So shall your barns be filled with plenty, and your presses shall burst out with new wine.

Malachi 3:10 Bring all the tithes into the storehouse....

Luke 6:38 Give and it shall be given unto you again, good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, shall men give unto your bosom. For with same measure that you give, it shall be measured unto you again.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 But this I say, He which sows sparingly, shall reap sparingly, and he which sows bountifully shall reap bountifully. Every man as he purposes in his heart so let him give, not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Proverbs 11:24-25 There is that which scatters and yet increases, there is that which withholds more than is necessary, but it tends to poverty. The liberal soul shall be made fat, and he that waters shall be watered himself.

3. Save For The Future

Proverbs 6:6-8 Go to the ant, thou sluggard, consider her ways and be wise: which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, provides her meat in summer and gathers her food in the harvest.

Proverbs 13:11 Wealth from get rich quick schemes leaves quickly, wealth gotten by hard work, little by little grows.

1 Corinthians 16:1-2 Now about the money being collected for the Christians in Jerusalem: you should follow the same procedures I gave the churches in Galatia. On every Lord's day, each of you should put aside some amount of money in relation to what you have earned and save it for this offering. Don't wait until I get there and then try to collect it all at once.

4. Plan Your Spending (Budget)

Proverbs 21:5 Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty.

Luke 14:28-30 Don't begin something until you count the costs. For who would begin construction of a building without first getting estimates and then checking to see if there is money enough to pay the bills? Otherwise, you might complete only the foundation before running out of funds and then everyone would laugh at you. There is the person who started that building and run out of money before it was finished.

Proverbs 30:8-9 Give me neither poverty nor riches lest I be full and deny you, or lest I be poor and steal and take the name of the Lord my God in vain.

Luke 12:16-21 And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop. He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.' "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry. "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself? "This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God."
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5. Enjoy What You Have

Hebrews 13:5-6 Stay away from the love of money, be satisfied with what you have. For God has said I will never leave you nor forsake you. That is why we can say with confidence, the Lord is my helper, so I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me.

Philippians 4:12 I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. For I can do everything with the help of Christ who gives me strength I need.

1 Timothy 6:6-7 True religion with contentment is great wealth. After all, we didn't bring anything with us when we came into the world, and we certainly cannot carry anything with us when we die.

Ecc. 5:19-20 Moreover, when God gives man wealth and possessions, and enables him to enjoy them, to accept his lot and be happy in his work, this is a gift of God. He seldom reflects on the days of his life, because God keeps him occupied with gladness of heart.