SERMON HANDOUT for November 10, 2024



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

YOU GET SIGHT IN THE SPIRITUAL REALM WHEN YOU EXERCISE FAITH IN THE PHYSICAL REALM

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Series: Do The Right Thing! WHEN IT COMES TO HANDLING MONEY

Proverbs 3:9-10; Proverbs 6:1-5; Matthew 25:14-29 NKJV

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INTRODUCTION

- † Proverbs 3:9-10 NKJV
- Proverbs 6:1-5 NKJV
- † Matthew 25:14-29 NKJV

How we handle money reveals much about the depth of our commitment to Christ.

- That's why Jesus often talked about money.
- One-sixth of the gospels, including one out of every three parables, touches on stewardship.

Jesus wasn't a fundraiser.

- He dealt with money matters because money matters.
- For some of us, though, it may matter too much.

WHEN IT COMES TO HANDLING MONEY, THERE ARE THREE PRACTICES WE SHOULD ADOPT:

1) CLARIFY OUR - Proverbs 3:9-10 NKJV

- † Psalm 24:1 NKJV
- * Psalm 50:9-11 NKJV
- Honor (Hebrew: kab bed) means Respect! Recognizes who owns what I have?
- Possessions (Hebrew: hon) means wealth, riches, substance.
- First-fruits (Hebrew: re sit) means the first of it; the beginnings.
- † Deuteronomy 8:18 NKJV

- We need to clarify our Priority by understanding this statement: "He who loses money, loses much; He who loses a friend, loses much more; But he who lose faith, loses it All!"
- † Hebrews 11:6 NKJV

2) CAUTIOUS ABOUT OUR _____ - Proverbs 6:1-5 NKJV

- **Surety/Pledge** (Hebrew: *a rag* ta) means to give a pledge (to pay); to step for; to mortgage; to give security (guarantee). To it is called "co-signing".
- Friend (Hebrew: re e) means one beloved; companion; comrade...
- Stranger (Hebrew: zar) means Others!
- Biblical Instruction about Co-signing:
 - † Proverbs 11:15; Proverbs 17:18; Proverbs 22:26-27 NLT

3) CONSTRUCTIVE ABOUT OUR - Matthew 25:14-29 NKJV

- Parable of the Talents
 - † Matthew 25:15a; Matthew 25:29 NKJV
- This not a statement of limitations, but a statement of Potential!
- Ability (Greek: dynamis)
 - same word use in Luke 10:19
 - means capability, might or power.
- Constructive serving a useful purpose; tending to build up!
 - Learn what you need to know
 - Acquire Understanding
 - Get an Education

Don't ever discount your potential in the Lord! All things are Possible to him who believers (Mark 9:23)

CONCLUSION

- Clarify [*Recognize His*] Our Priority
- Cautious About Our Pledges
- Constructive About Our Potential