

5. Reform – Financial Health

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“How We See & Use Money”

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Introduction:

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Romans 12:2 “Don’t conform to the world’s pattern. But be transformed by the way you think.”

I. What not to do with our money.

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A. Don't waste it.

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Luke 16:2 “The manager was accused of wasting his master’s possessions.”

B. Don't love it.

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Luke 16:13 “No servant can serve two masters. He’ll either hate one and love the other or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

C. Don't trust it.

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Luke 16:3 “What am I going to do? I’m losing my job.”

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Proverbs 23:5 “Your money can be gone in a flash, as if it had grown wings and flown away like an eagle.”

D. Don't expect it to satisfy .

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Ecclesiastes 5:10 “Whoever loves money will never have enough. And whoever loves wealth will never be satisfied with his income.”

Luke 12:15 “Guard against all kinds of greed because your life is not measured by how much you own.”

Romans 12:2 “Don’t conform to the way the world thinks but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.”

II. What we should *remember every day.*

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A. Every day we need to remember *it all belongs to God*.

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**B. God uses money to test
us.**

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- Money shows what I love most .

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Matthew 6:19-21 “Don't store up treasure here on earth Instead, store your treasures in heaven . . . for wherever your treasure is, that's where your heart will be.”

NLT

- Money shows what I trust most.

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Proverbs 11:28 “If you trust in your money you will fall. But if you trust in God you will flourish like a green tree.” *NLT*

- **Money shows**
if God can trust me .

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Luke 16:11-12 “Whoever can be trusted with very little can be trusted with much. Whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.

**If you have not been trust-
worthy in handling worldly
wealth who will trust you with
true riches. And if you have
not been trustworthy with
someone else's property who
will give you property of your
own.”**

C. Every day we need to remember money is a tool .

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Luke 16:9 “I tell you use your worldly wealth.”

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- He looked ahead .

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Luke 16:3 “What am I going to do now?”

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Proverbs 14:8 “The wise man looks ahead; the fool attempts to fool himself and won’t face the facts.”

- He *made a plan*.

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Proverbs 16:9 “We should make plans counting on God to direct us.”

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- He acted quickly .

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Luke 16:4 “I know what I’ll do so that when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.”

D. The best use of money is to use it to get people to heaven .

Luke 16:9 “Jesus says ‘I tell you use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves so that when it is gone they will welcome you into your eternal dwelling.’”

E. One day we'll give an *account to God* .

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Luke 16:2 “You must now give an account of your stewardship and report what you’ve done with what I have entrusted to you because your time as a manager has ended.”

F. *If we're faithful* with a little
God can trust us with more .

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Luke 16:10 “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much. And whoever is dishonest with little will be dishonest with much.” And obviously whoever is irresponsible with little will be irresponsible with much.

So in conclusion:

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