## <u> "FINANCIAL FREEDOM"</u>

## PART 2

## "BUDGET WISELY"

OBJECTIVE: TO DISCOVER WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP. UNDERSTAND HOW TO LIVE ACCORDING TO THE PRINCIPLES THAT GOD OUTLINES FOR HIS CHILDREN.

KEY SCRIPTURES: MATTHEW 25:14-30/PROVERBS 21:20(NLT)
PROVERBS 11:24-25/PROVERBS 13:11/2 CORINTHIANS 12:14/
MATTHEW 5:20/ LUKE 14:28-32

GOD WANTS US WHOLE IN EVERY AREA OF OUR LIFE. HE WANTS US FREE FROM BONDAGE IN EVERY AREA OF OUR LIVES. WE COMPLICATE OUR CHRISTIAN VALUES IN SO MANY AREAS AND HOW WE STEWARD MONEY IS ONE OF THEM.

## THREE WAYS WE CAN GET TO FINACIAL FREEDOM

- 1. <u>S</u> LESS THAN YOU EARN! DEBT IS A DEMON. 2. S WHAT YOU DON'T SPEND!!
- 3. <u>I</u> WHAT YOU CAN FROM YOUR SAVINGS. SUCCESS IN FINANCES MEANS YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING WITH WHAT YOU HAVE. KINGDOM INVESTMENTS, FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS, REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS, AND ASSETS. AT LEAST PUT IT IN THE BANK. (MATTHEW 25:27)

AS GOOD STEWARDS WE MUST BUDGET AND SPEND WISELY.
MANY TIMES, IT DOESN'T TAKE MUCH FOR MONEY TO GET TIGHT
ESPECIALLY WHEN WE SPEND CONSISTENTLY MORE THAN WE
EARN.

WITHIN OUR FINANCES WE MUST BEGIN TO CREATE MARGINS IN OUR BUDGET AND DECREASE DEBT!

MARGINS IS EXTRA ROOM WE CREATE FOR OURSELVES FOR THE UNEXPECTED. THAT'S WHY IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHAT YOU SPEND VERSUS WHAT YOU MAKE.

THE BIGGEST ISSUE WE HAVE IS TOO OFTEN WE LIVE ABOVE OUR INCOME. WHEN WE USE CREDIT DEBT FOR FOOD, CLOTHES, FURNITURE, EVENTS, CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

USUALLY WE ARE SPENDERS, SAVERS, SKEPTICS, SUSPICIOUS, OR SEDUCED IN HOW WE DEAL WITH MONEY.

ECCLESIASTES 4:4

PROVERBS	<i>12:9</i>

TWO	WAYS	WE FAL	L IN	OUR	FINA	NCES
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STOP TRYING TO KEEP UP WITH JONESES!

STOP WANTING WHAT SOMEONE ELSE HAS!

STOP TRYING TO LIVE WITH STATUS!

ECCLESIASTES 3:13

WHEN WE CREATE MARGINS IN OUR FINANCES, GOD GIVES US A WAY OF ESCAPE.

1 CORITHIANS 10:12-13