

Money Wise

Proverbs on Money
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Proverbs 6:1 My son, if you have put up security for your neighbor, have given your pledge for a stranger, 2 if you are snared in the words of your mouth, caught in the words of your mouth, 3 then do this, my son, and save yourself, for you have come into the hand of your neighbor: go, hasten, and plead urgently with your neighbor. 4 Give your eyes no sleep and your eyelids no slumber; 5 save yourself like a gazelle from the hand of the hunter, like a bird from the hand of the fowler. 6 Go to the ant, O sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise. 7 Without having any chief, officer, or ruler, 8 she prepares her bread in summer and gathers her food in harvest. 9 How long will you lie there, O sluggard? When will you arise from your sleep? 10 A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest, 11 and poverty will come upon you like a robber, and want like an armed man.

Wisdom: skillful at living.

Proverb: a short statement of wisdom, often worded in a memorable way.

Proverbs 13:4 The soul of the sluggard craves and gets nothing, while the soul of the diligent is richly supplied.

Proverbs 14:23 In all toil there is profit, but mere talk tends only to poverty.

(Additional verses on Hard Work: Pr. 10:4-5, 12:11, 13:11, 20:13)

1. _____ is key to financial success.

2. Laziness _____ the Lord.

Proverbs 21:20 Precious treasure and oil are in a wise man's dwelling, but a foolish man devours it.

3. _____ where your money is going.

Luke 14:28 For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it?

(Additional verses on Planning: Pr. 11:14, 15:22, 20:18, 21:17, 21:30)

4. _____ your expenses.

5. Have a _____ (budget).

Proverbs 21:5 The plans of the diligent lead surely to abundance, but everyone who is hasty comes only to poverty.

6. We must learn to curb our _____.

Proverbs 13:11 Wealth gained hastily will dwindle, but whoever gathers little by little will increase it.

(Additional verses on Debt & Savings: Pr. 11:15, 13:22, 17:18, 19:14, 22:7)

7. Pay off debt _____ and save _____.

Proverbs 13:7 One pretends to be rich, yet has nothing; another pretends to be poor, yet has great wealth.

Proverbs 23:4 Do not toil to acquire wealth; be discerning enough to desist. 5 When your eyes light on it, it is gone, for suddenly it sprouts wings, flying like an eagle toward heaven.

Proverbs 11:28 Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf.

Proverbs 18:10 The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe. 11 A rich man's wealth is his strong city, and like a high wall in his imagination.

(Additional verses on Wealth: Pr. 10:15, 13:7-8, 22:2, 28:6, 28:11)

8. God wants us to wisely _____, _____, and _____ away our money.

Luke 14:28 For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it?

Matthew 16:26 For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?

Resources for Further Study:

- The Complete Financial Guide for Young Couples by Larry Burkett
- The Total Money Makeover by Dave Ramsey
- The Millionaire Next Door by Thomas Stanley
- Solomon's 7 Secrets to Financial Freedom by Robert Bartlett
- Money, Possessions, and Eternity by Randy Alcorn