

**“FINANCIALLY FREE”**

(Luke 16:11)

The word of God speaks to the needs of our lives. It should not be surprising that it speaks words of wisdom into our financial lives. Today we will walk through five key principles of financial freedom from the book of Proverbs.

**1. KEEP GOOD \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 27:23-24).**

*“Know well the condition of your flocks, and give attention to your herds, for riches do not last forever; and does a crown endure to all generations” (Proverbs 27:23-24, ESV).*

**2. PLAN YOUR \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 21:5).**

*“The plans of the diligent lead surely to abundance, but everyone who is hasty comes only to poverty” (Proverbs 21:5, ESV).*

**3. SAVE FOR THE \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 21:20).**

*“Precious treasure and oil are in a wise man's dwelling, but a foolish man devours it” (Proverbs 21:20, ESV).*

**4. RETURN TEN PERCENT \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 3:9-10).**

*“I want you to take the first ten percent and give it back to Me.”  
“Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine” (Proverbs 3:9-10, ESV).*

**1. It's an act of \_\_\_\_\_ for the past.**

**2. It's an act of \_\_\_\_\_ in the present.**

**3. It's a \_\_\_\_\_.**

**5. ENJOY WHAT \_\_\_\_\_ (Ecclesiastes 6:9).**

*“Better is the sight of the eyes than the wandering of the appetite: this also is vanity and a striving after wind” Ecclesiastes 6:9, ESV).*

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❖ **SERMON NOTES** ❖

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**1. KEEP GOOD RECORDS (Proverbs 27:23-24).**

*“Know well the condition of your flocks, and give attention to your herds, for riches do not last forever; and does a crown endure to all generations” (Proverbs 27:23-24, ESV).*

*“Buy truth, and do not sell it; buy wisdom, instruction, and understanding” (Proverbs 23:23, ESV).*

**2. PLAN YOUR SPENDING (Proverbs 21:5).**

*“The plans of the diligent lead surely to abundance, but everyone who is hasty comes only to poverty” (Proverbs 21:5, ESV).*

*“Fools spend whatever they get” (Proverbs 21:20, NLT).*

**3. SAVE FOR THE FUTURE (Proverbs 21:20).**

*“Precious treasure and oil are in a wise man's dwelling, but a foolish man devours it” (Proverbs 21:20, ESV).*

**4. RETURN TEN PERCENT BACK TO GOD (Proverbs 3:9-10).**

*“Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need” (Malachi 3:10, ESV).*

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“Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine” (Proverbs 3:9-10, ESV).*

**1. It's an act of gratitude for the past.**

**2. It's an act of priority in the present.**

**3. It's a statement of faith.**

**5. ENJOY WHAT YOU HAVE (Ecclesiastes 6:9).**

*“Better is the sight of the eyes than the wandering of the appetite: this also is vanity and a striving after wind” Ecclesiastes 6:9, ESV).*

*“Enjoy what you have rather than desiring what you don't have. Just dreaming about nice things is meaningless—like chasing the wind” (Ecclesiastes 6:9, NLT).*

*“Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have” (Hebrews 13:5, NIV).*