

# 1 Ekklesia Christian Life Fellowship

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### 3 Paul's Family

### 4 Impacting the World

## 5 Biblical Money Management

- Psalm 112:1-3:

- 1 Praise the LORD. Blessed are those who fear the LORD, who find great delight in his commands. 2 Their children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. 3 Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever.

- Proverbs 30:7-9:

- 7 "Two things I ask of you, LORD; do not refuse me before I die: 8 Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. 9 Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, 'Who is the LORD?' Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God.

## 6 Biblical Money Management

- According to the Bible, God created the planet Earth and consequently owns it "lock, stock, and barrel."

- Psalm 24:1-2:

- 1 The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; 2 for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.

## 7 Success God's Way

- Deuteronomy 8:17-18

- 17 You may say to yourself, "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me." 18 But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

- Joshua 1: 8

- 8 Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

## 8 Success God's Way

- Psalm 1:1-3

- 1 Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, 2 but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night. 3 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers.

- Proverbs 10:22

- 22 The blessing of the LORD brings wealth, without painful toil for it.

## 9 Success God's Way

- Proverbs 11:24–25, 28

- 24 One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. 25 A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

- 28 Those who trust in their riches will fall, but the righteous will thrive like a green leaf.

- Proverbs 13: 7

- 7 One person pretends to be rich, yet has nothing; another pretends to be poor, yet has great wealth.

## 10 Success God's Way

- Haggai 1:7–11

- 7 This is what the LORD Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways. 8 Go up into the mountains and bring down timber and build my house, so that I may take pleasure in it and be honored,” says the LORD. 9 “You expected much, but see, it turned out to be little. What you brought home, I blew away. Why?” declares the LORD Almighty. “Because of my house, which remains a ruin, while each of you is busy with your own house. 10 Therefore, because of you the heavens have withheld their dew and the earth its crops. 11 I called for a drought on the fields and the mountains, on the grain, the new wine, the olive oil and everything else the ground produces, on people and livestock, and on all the labor of your hands.”

## 11 Success God's Way

- Malachi 3:6–12

- 6 “I the LORD do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed. 7 Ever since the time of your ancestors you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you,” says the LORD Almighty. “But you ask, ‘How are we to return?’ 8 “Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How are we robbing you?’ “In tithes and offerings. 9 You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. 10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the LORD Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. 11 I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,” says the LORD Almighty. 12 “Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” says the LORD Almighty.

## 12 Biblical Money Management

- Many businesses have an annual meeting in which managers report to stockholders how well they have managed the company’s assets. In our case, God is the only stockholder.

## 13 What Most People Do

## 14 Giving Principles

## 15 How you Should Use Income

## 16 Where to Allocate Income

## 17 The “Should Give” Level

- The “should give” level is the tithe.
- God asks us to give cheerfully in accordance with how we have been prospered. (2 Cor. 8:12, 9:6–7)
- We should give in proportion to the amount we have received. For some of us, 10% is just the beginning.
- How much you give is not so much a reflection of your wealth as it is of your relationship with God.

## 18 The “Could Give” Level

## 19 The “Would Give” Level

## 20 Levels of Giving: Final Thoughts

## 21 The Right Perspective

## 22 Inspire to Impact

- The Vision
- To inspire successful people to maximize their impact for Christ.
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- The Mission

- Inspiring Successful People to Go
- Fall in love with Giving More and More
- Learn How to Leave a Legacy

23  1. Inspiring Successful People to GO

- Many people pursue success in order to attain “freedom from...”
- We want to inspire successful people to discover that they have the “freedom to...”
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- I want to inspire you to embrace your
- “freedom to,” to change more lives.

24  2. Fall in Love with Giving More and More

25  How to Leave a Legacy

- Everybody who has money in the United States will leave money to the “social good” one way or another; we have no choice.
- Tragically this transfer of wealth will not support ministry or charity but will instead be directed by the Internal Revenue Code.
  
- What tools have you utilized to disinherit the IRS
- and protect your family’s assets from lawsuits
- and the potential divorces of your children?

26  Possible Beneficiaries of an Estate

27  Inherited IRA Scenario

28  Family & Charity

29  Your Legacy

30  The Results

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