

SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

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Title: Should Christians Save and Invest for Their Financial Future?

“Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.” (Proverbs 6:6-8)

Introduction: _____

Reasons We Do Not Save and Invest for the Future:

1. Time: _____
2. Money: _____
3. Misconceptions: _____
4. “Leaving it up to God”: _____

1. It is Wise to _____ for a Future _____ Need

“Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt. Let Pharaoh do this, and let him appoint officers over the land, and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plenteous years. And let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities. And that food shall be for store to the land against the seven years of famine, which shall be in the land of Egypt; that the land perish not through the famine.” (Genesis 41:33-36)

2. It Requires _____ and _____

- A. God's financial _____ for us are contingent upon us taking action, by faith.

"Give, and it shall be given unto you." (Luke 6:38)

"Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." (Proverbs 3:9-10)

- B. At some point, if the Lord tarries His coming, we will age and/or become physically _____ to earn wages. What will be your source of income then?

"There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up." (Proverbs 21:20)

WE CANNOT OBLIGATE GOD TO TAKE CARE OF THAT FOR US WHEN HE HAS GIVEN US WISDOM AND INSTRUCTION IN HIS WORD.

JUST AS WE PLAN OUR LABOR AND SOURCE OF EARNINGS NOW, SO OUGHT WE TO PLAN OUR SOURCE OF EARNINGS LATER IN LIFE.

3. Today's Practical Approach to _____ and _____

"Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, and look well to thy herds." (Proverbs 27:23)

- A. As a faithful steward, take an _____ of where your dollars are going.

MAKE SAVING AND INVESTING A PRIORITY—HAVE FAMILY TALKS ABOUT THE SUBJECT.

IDENTIFY AREAS OF OVERSPENDING OR UNNECESSARY BILLS/SPENDING.

RE-DIRECT THOSE DOLLARS TOWARD SAVING AND INVESTING.

- B. After honoring the Lord with tithes and offerings, _____ a dollar amount to save every month, every year, as long as you have earnings.

“After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.” (Matthew 25:19)

- C. Seek _____ in areas that you are not familiar with.

GOD’S WORD PROVIDES PRINCIPLES WE NEED

“Thy testimonies are my delight and my counsellors.” (Psalm 119:24)

GODLY MEN AND WOMEN

“Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety.” (Proverbs 11:14)

- D. Stay _____ over a long period of time.

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Conclusion: _____



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