

## **“Biblical Finances – Part 2”**

1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19

### **GOD THE LORD AND OWNER OF ALL**

#### **1. The Scriptures clearly describe the LORD God as the rightful Owner of everything. Deut. 10:12-14**

- 1 Chronicles 29:11-12: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. <sup>12</sup> Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.
- Haggai 2:8: The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, declares the Lord of hosts.
- Psalm 24:1: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein.
- Psalm 50:10: For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

#### **2. The ability to get wealth and increase materially comes from God.**

- Deuteronomy 8:17-18: Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.' <sup>18</sup> You shall remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day.
- The parable of the talents. Matthew 25:14-30

→ Everything we have is God's. Nothing is ours. We simply manage what belongs to Him.

### **THERE ARE MANY WARNINGS ATTACHED TO MONEY & FINANCES IN THE SCRIPTURES**

- Proverbs 11:28: Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf.
- Luke 12:15: Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.
- Proverbs 23:4: Do not wear yourself out to get rich; do not trust your own cleverness.
- Psalm 62:10: ...though your riches increase, do not set your heart on them.
- Matthew 6:24: No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.
- Matthew 13:22 (the parable of the soils): As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful.
- 1 Timothy 6:9-10

### **SOME PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS ...**

- Acts 2:36: Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both **Lord and Christ**...
- Proverbs 11:24: One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want.
- Proverbs 13:11: Wealth gained hastily will dwindle, but whoever gathers little by little will increase it.
- Proverbs 13:7: One pretends to be rich, yet has nothing; another pretends to be poor, yet has great wealth.