

MONEY MATTERS

(How to Make Your Money Count for Now and Forever)

ETERNAL REWARDS

1 Timothy 6:17-19 Jeff Schreve

Instruct those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy. Instruct them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is life indeed. 1 Timothy 6:17-19

What are we to do with the money God has entrusted to us?

1. We are not to trust in money.

A. Money is uncertain and so limited.

Do not weary yourself to gain wealth, cease from your consideration of it. When you set your eyes on it, it is gone. For wealth certainly makes itself wings, like an eagle that flies toward the heavens. Proverbs 23:4-5

B. God is certain, good, and unlimited.

2. We are to do good works with our money.

A. Live under your means so you can be ready to share.

B. Take every financial decision to the Lord.

Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. 1 Corinthians 10:31

C. Ask God to grow you in generosity.

Be generous, and you will be prosperous. Help others, and you will be helped. Proverbs 11:25 GNB

3. We are to invest our money in eternal endeavors.

A. Eternal endeavors involve God, His Word, and people.

B. Be careful when it comes to storing up treasure.

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Matthew 6:19-21

C. Be wise when it comes to living and giving.

"And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by means of the mammon of unrighteousness; that when it fails, they may receive you into the eternal dwellings." Luke 16:9

"Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done."

Revelation 22:12

When you stand before the Lord to give an account will you experience reward or regret?