

What would you do if your financial advisor revealed a failure proof plan for financial security? How would you react if you were told that all of your needs would be provided—for the rest of your life? What would you say if someone told you that you could be part of an economy that will never have a deficit? As far-fetched as that may sound, such an economy does exist.

In an economically unstable world, God has revealed in His Word a financial plan that will never fail. He has given us principles, which if wisely applied, will bring us financial success. God's financial plan will also help us avoid the pitfalls of unwise spending, ill—advised investing, and give us insight on how to prepare for a secure retirement.

God's financial plan goes a step further. It helps us to realize that God is the rightful owner of everything in heaven and in the earth. Following God's plan also changes our attitude about money and gives us the wisdom to know how to help our neighbors and those in need.

When we follow God's system of giving, we will also become cheerful givers. Our financial plans and successes are in the hands of our loving heavenly Father. As you study this outline, you will discover that God has a banking system and an economy that helps us live a balanced life in this world. You will also discover God's plan for Financial Security comes with a retirement plan that's out of this world.

## **GOD'S RIGHT TO OWNERSHIP**

**Genesis 1:1** - God created the heavens and the earth.

**Job 41:11** - God doesn't pay anyone, everything belongs to Him.

**Psalms 8:3** - The heavens are the works of God's fingers.

**Psalms 19:1** - The heavens declare God's glory.

**Psalms 24:1** - The earth and all that it contains belong to God.

**Psalms 50:10** - Every beast and the cattle on a thousand hills belongs to God.

**Psalms 50:12** - The world in all of its fullness belongs to God.

**Psalms 102:25** - God created the foundation of the world and the heavens.

**Haggai 2:8** - The silver and the gold belongs to the Lord.

**Deuteronomy 8:18** - God gives us power to get wealth.

**Ecclesiastes 5:19** - Wealth, riches, and power are gifts from God.

**1 Timothy 6:7** - We brought nothing into the world and we carry nothing out.

Acts 17:24 - God is the Lord of Creation, He made everything.
- We need God to live and to move and to have hope.

**Hebrews 1:10** - God laid the foundation of the earth and created the heavens.

## **OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD**

Genesis 14:20

 Abraham gave a tithe of his possessions to honor God.
 A Tithe is equal to One-Tenth of our possessions
 We are called to tithe on our increase each year.
 We honor the Lord with the first of all our profits.

 Malachi 3:8

 We are not to rob God in our tithes and in our offerings.

 Malachi 3:10

 God will blesses us when we worship through giving.
 God will not allow the enemy to destroy our plans.

## **GOD'S PROMISED BLESSINGS**

Psalms 1:3 - Those that are faithful to God will experience prosperity.

Proverbs 11:24, 25 - Those that are generous in giving will be generously blessed.

**Matthew 6:33** - God will provide when we seek Him first.

**Luke 6:38** - The same measure that we give, will be measured to us

**2 Corinthians 9:7** - Don't give grudgingly, God loves a cheerful giver.

**Philippians 4:19** - God will supply all of our needs according to His riches.

## **EXAMPLES OF STEWARDSHIP IN THE BIBLE**

**Deuteronomy 8:11-18** - Remember that without God there are no blessings.

Luke 12:15 - Do not be covetous, life is not abundant possessions.

- When we hoard our blessings we leave them behind.

Luke 12:21 - Store your treasures in heaven by faithfully giving to God.
 Proverbs 22:7 - Avoid being in debt, the borrower is a servant of the lender.

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1 Timothy 5:18 - The laborer is worthy of his hire don't expect things for free.

**1 Corinthians 9:13** - Those that minister are to be supported by those for whom

they labor.