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WHAT PARENTS WISH THEIR CHILDREN KNEW ABOUT MONEY

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Introduction: In Deuteronomy 6, God reminds us of the importance of teaching our children His commandments and principles for living. Today we are going to take a break from our series in Hebrews to discuss one of the most important skills we can impart to our children: how to handle money wisely.

Deuteronomy 6:4-6 ⁴ “Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one! ⁵ And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ And these words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart.”

Proverbs 4:1-5 ¹ “Hear, O sons, the instruction of a father, and give attention that you may gain understanding, ² for I give you sound teaching; do not abandon my instruction. ³ When I was a son to my father, tender and the only son in the sight of my mother, ⁴ then he taught me and said to me, ‘Let your heart hold fast my words; keep my commandments and live. ⁵ Acquire wisdom! Acquire understanding! Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth.’”

I. **Earning: “Your Job Is A Gift From God.”** (Deuteronomy 8:18)

Deuteronomy 8:18 “But you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who is giving you power to make wealth, that He may confirm His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.”

Proverbs 10:4 “Poor is he who works with a negligent hand, but the hand of the diligent makes rich.”

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Proverbs 14:23 “In all labor there is profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty.”

Colossians 3:23-24 ²³ “Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men; ²⁴ knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.”

Proverbs 23:5 “Cast but a glance at riches and it is gone, for wealth will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle.” (NIV)

II. Spending: “Wanting More Is The Key To Becoming Poor.” (Ecclesiastes 5:10)

Ecclesiastes 5:10 “Whoever loves money never has enough money; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless.” (NIV)

1 Timothy 6:6-8 ⁶ “But godliness actually is a means of great gain, when accompanied by contentment. ⁷ For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. ⁸ And if we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.”

III. Debt: “If You Don’t Want To Fret, Be Careful Of Debt.” (Proverbs 22:7)

Proverbs 22:7 “The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower becomes the lender’s slave.”

Proverbs 22:26-27 ²⁶ “Do not be among those who give pledges, among those who become sureties for debts. ²⁷ If you have nothing with which to pay, why should he take your bed from under you?”

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IV. Saving: “For A Starbucks A Day, You Can Be Wealthy Some Day.” (Proverbs 21:20)

Proverbs 21:20 “There is precious treasure and oil in the dwelling of the wise, but a foolish man swallows it up.”

V. Giving: “Don’t Be A Clod, Start Giving To God.” (Proverbs 3:9-10)

Proverbs 3:9-10 ⁹ “Honor the Lord from your wealth, and from the first of all your produce;
¹⁰ So your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.”

Conclusion