

Money Matters (Part 3)
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New Life Community Church

"A final word to you arrogant rich: take some lessons in lament. You'll need buckets for the tears when the crash comes upon you. Your money is corrupt and your fine clothes stink. Your greedy luxuries are a cancer in your gut, destroying your life from within. You thought you were piling up wealth. What you've piled up is judgment. All the workers you've exploited and cheated cry out for judgment. The groans of the workers you used and abused are a roar in the ears of the Master Avenger. You've looted the earth and lived it up. But all you have to show for it is a fatter than usual corpse. In fact, what you've done is condemn and murder perfectly good persons, who stand there and take it."

James 5: 1- 6 (GN)

1. Accumulation.

"The wise man saves for the future, but the foolish man spends what he gets."

Proverbs 21: 20 (LB)

*"Ants are creatures of little strength, yet they store up their food in the summer for the winter." **Proverbs 30: 25***

2. Appropriation.

"Money from gambling quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows."

Proverbs 13: 11 (LB)

"Hard work brings a profit; mere talk leads to poverty."

Proverbs 14: 23

3. Allocation.

"The plans of the diligent lead to profit, as surely as haste leads to poverty."

Proverbs 21: 5

"Money can disappear fast, so watch your business interests closely."

Proverbs 27: 23 (LB)

4. Application.

*"It is possible to give away and become richer! It is also possible to hold on too tightly and lose everything. Yes, the generous man shall be rich. By watering others, he waters himself." **Proverbs 11: 24- 25 (LB)***

*"Store up for yourselves treasure in heaven..." **Matthew 6: 20***

*"On every Sunday, put aside something from what you have earned during the week, and use it for an offering. The amount depends on how much the Lord has helped you to earn." **1 Corinthians 16: 2 (LB)***