

How to Take Hold of Your Money

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1. God owns <u>it all</u> and he entrusts us with <u>some</u> of it

The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.

Psalm 24:1 NIV

To the LORD your God belong the heavens, even the highest heavens, the earth and everything in it.

Deuteronomy 10:14 NIV

2. Know your <u>numbers</u>

- What I own
- What I owe
- What I make
- What I <u>spend</u>

Be sure you know the condition of your flocks, give careful attention to your herds; for riches do not endure forever...

Proverbs 27:23-24 NIV

3. Adjust your priorities - 70% plan

- First 10% goes to God
- Second 10% goes to <u>debt reduction</u>
- Third 10% goes to <u>savings</u>
- Live on the rest

... The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives.

Deuteronomy 14:23 TLB

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth... Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven... Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:19-21 NIV

Careful planning puts you ahead in the long run; hurry and scurry puts you further behind. **Proverbs 21:5** MSG

Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows over time.

Proverbs 13:11 NLT

Next Steps:
☐ Commit to live on less than I make,% plan
☐ Evaluate my numbers so that I am aware of the money God has entrusted to me
☐ Commit to give to God first and increase my giving toward the full tithe
☐ Attend the rest of this series (or watch on our Youtube channel)