

TRANSFORMING HOW I SEE AND USE MONEY

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STORY OF THE SHREWD MANAGER: LUKE 16:1-13

Jesus said, “There was a certain rich man who had a manager handling his affairs. One day a report came that the manager was wasting his employer’s money. So the employer called him in and said, ‘What’s this I hear about you? Get your report in order, because you are going to be fired.’ The manager thought to himself, ‘Now what? My boss has fired me. I don’t have the strength to dig ditches, and I’m too proud to beg. Ah, I know how to ensure that I’ll have plenty of friends who will give me a home when I am fired.’ So he invited each person who owed money to his employer to come and discuss the situation. He asked the first one, ‘How much do you owe him?’ 6 The man replied, ‘I owe him 800 gallons of olive oil.’ So the manager told him, ‘Take the bill and quickly change it to 400 gallons. And how much do you owe my employer?’ he asked the next man. ‘I owe him 1,000 bushels of wheat,’ was the reply. ‘Here,’ the manager said, ‘take the bill and change it to 800 bushels.’ The rich man had to admire the dishonest rascal for being so shrewd. And it is true that the children of this world are more shrewd in dealing with the world around them than are the children of the light.” Luke 16:1-8 (NLT)

WHAT NOT TO DO WITH MONEY

1. _____
“The manager had been taking advantage of his position.” Luke 16:2 (MSG)
2. _____
“No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.” Luke 16:13 (MEV)
3. _____
“What am I going to do? I’ve lost my job.” Luke 16:3 (MSG)

“Your money can be gone in a flash, as if it had grown wings and flown away like an eagle.” Proverbs 23:5 (GNT)
4. _____
“Whoever loves money will never have enough money; whoever loves wealth will be satisfied with it.” Ecclesiastes 5:10 (NCV)

WHAT TO REMEMBER EVERYDAY

1. _____
“(The Owner) hired a manager to take care of his business.” Luke 16:1 (NKJV)
2. _____
 - **IT SHOWS** _____
“Don’t store up treasure here on earth . . . Store your treasures in heaven . . . Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.”
Matthew 6:19-21 (NLT)
 - **IT SHOWS** _____
“Trust in your money and down you go! But the godly flourish like leaves in spring.” Proverbs 11:28 (NLT)
 - **IT SHOWS** _____
“Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own?” Luke 16:10-12 (NIV)
3. _____
“And I tell you: use your worldly wealth.” Luke 16:9 (NCB)
 - **HE** _____ (vs. 3)
“The wise man looks ahead. The fool attempts to fool himself and won’t face facts.” Proverbs 14:8 (TLB)
 - **HE** _____ (vs. 4)
“We should make plans—counting on God to direct us.” Proverbs 16:9 (TLB)
 - **HE** _____ (vs. 5-6)
4. _____
Jesus: “I tell you, use worldly wealth to make friends for yourselves so that when it’s gone, you will be welcomed into the eternal homes.” Luke 16:9 (CEB)
5. _____
“Give me an account of your stewardship—you’re not fit to manage my household any longer.” Luke 16:2 (NIV)

6.

“To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance.” Matthew 25:29 (NLT)

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