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Proverbs 3:9, *Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; 10 then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.*

Deuteronomy 8:18, *But remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you the ability to produce wealth...*

Proverbs 22:2, *Rich and poor have this in common: The Lord is the Maker of them all.*

Money Principles From Proverbs:

-Money Can't SAVE YOU

Proverbs 11:4, *Wealth is worthless in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death... 28 Those who trust in their riches will fall, but the righteous will thrive...*

Proverbs 18:11, *The wealth of the rich is their fortified city; they imagine it a wall too high to scale.*

-Money Isn't PERMANENT

Proverbs 23:5, *Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone, for they will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle.*

Proverbs 27:23, *Be sure you know the condition of your flocks, give careful attention to your herds; 24 for riches do not endure forever, and a crown is not secure for all generations...*

25 When the hay is removed and new growth appears and the grass from the hills is gathered in, 26 the lambs will provide you with clothing, and the goats with the price of a field.

-Money Is Best Gained Through Hard Work & PLANNING

Proverbs 13:11, *Dishonest money dwindles away, but whoever gathers money little by little makes it grow.*

Proverbs 21:5, *The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty.*

-Money Gained Through Dishonesty Does NOT LAST

Proverbs 21:6, *A fortune made by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor and a deadly snare.*

Proverbs 20:17, *Food gained by fraud tastes sweet, but one ends up with a mouth full of gravel... 21 An inheritance claimed too soon will not be blessed at the end.*

Proverbs 22:16, *One who oppresses the poor to increase his wealth and one who gives gifts to the rich—both come to poverty.*

Proverbs 22:22, *Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court, 23 for the Lord will take up their case and will exact life for life.*

-Money Doesn't DEFINE YOU

Proverbs 13:7, *One person pretends to be rich, yet has nothing; another pretends to be poor, yet has great wealth.*

Proverbs 12:9, *Better to be a nobody and yet have a servant than pretend to be somebody and have no food.*

-Money Doesn't Grow If You Spend ALL YOU HAVE

Proverbs 21:17, *Whoever loves pleasure will become poor; whoever loves wine and olive oil will never be rich.... 20 The wise store up choice food and olive oil, but fools gulp theirs down.*

Proverbs 28:19, *Those who work their land will have abundant food,*

but those who chase fantasies will have their fill of poverty.

-Those Who Are Generous Are Blessed With MORE

Proverbs 11:24, *One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. 25 A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.*

Proverbs 22:9, *The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.*

Proverbs 14:31, *Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.*

A Final Thought On Money

Proverbs 30:7, *“Two things I ask of you, Lord; do not refuse me before I die: 8 Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. 9 Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, ‘Who is the Lord?’ Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God.*