



Review

Combining Giving
with **Prayer of Faith**



Combining Giving with Prayer of Faith

Giving = Sowing of Tithes,
Offerings & Alms

Prayer = Matthew 7:7-8
Hebrews 4:16

Prayer of Faith = Hebrews 11:6

Combining Giving with Prayer of Faith

Earnestly = With expectancy of faith

Earnestly = With something that cost you

Giving **reflects** your earnestness

Matthew 6:21 : your treasure - your heart.



Combining Giving with Prayer of Faith

On God's side, He hears our prayers
and sees our giving.

Acts 10:31 (NCV)

... God has **heard your prayer** and
has **seen that you give** to the poor and
remembers you.



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On Man's side, we are to intentionally give and to pray.

Acts 10:2

a devout man and one who feared God with all his household, who **gave** alms generously to the people, and **prayed** to God always.

Combining Giving with Prayer of Faith

- We can **give** per se on its own
- We can **pray** per se on its own
- When combined intentionally in faith to God
= “**Spiritual Synergy**”

$$2 + 2 = 7$$

Combining Giving with Prayer of Faith

Q1 : Is it wrong to give in order to receive?

A : *No, if you combine it with Prayer of **Faith** and during the waiting period, continue to **water** the seed with **prayer** that stands on the **promise** - **Word of God**.*



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Luke 6:38

Give, and it will be given to you:

good measure, pressed down, shaken together,
and running over will be put into your bosom.

For with the same measure that you use,
it will be measured back to you.

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Q2 : Is it wrong to give and pray for \$5m in your bank account & a BMW 7 series?

A : *Not wrong, but just **DAY DREAMING!***



Why

Luke 16:10-12 : Faithful in little - much

2 Cor 9:6 : Proportionate Seed

Hebrews 4:16 : Needs, not wants



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Our seed combined / watered with prayer for desired harvest for God to work on.

e.g. 1 - Elijah and Widow of Zarephath

e.g. 2 - Elisha and Widow with Debt

Ephesians 3:20 - Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, **according** to the power that works in **us**



Financial Freedom

[Part 4]



Financial Freedom = Being “Rich”

= Biblical Prosperity = Having more than enough to fulfill your personal destiny i.e.

1. To do good works God ordained for you.
2. To be a blessing to others
3. To touch lives that God brings in your life.

SUMMARY -

FINANCIAL FREEDOM [PART 1]



- I. Know that God delights in the Prosperity of His children.
- II. Know that God is the source of all provision and wealth for man.
- III. God not only delights in our prosperity, He will Teach us to profit.

SUMMARY -

FINANCIAL FREEDOM [PART 1]



- iv. Know the difference between Bread and Seed.
- v. At all times, we must seek First God's Kingdom and His Righteousness, Then we will have all our provision and prosperity.

SUMMARY - FINANCIAL FREEDOM [PART 2]



Seed Sowing

1. To have a harvest [provision], we must first sow a Seed.
2. We must sow in Quality soil.
3. We must sow Proportionately with Expectation to receive.

SUMMARY - FINANCIAL FREEDOM [PART 2]



Seed Sowing

4. We must sow in Faith.
5. We must sow in the right Season.
6. We must look to the LORD of the Harvest.
7. Waiting in constant prayer is the proof we believe God.

Summary - Financial Freedom [Part 3]



1. Of all [100%] that God has given to us, He only ask His people to pay the Tithe. the Tithe belongs to the Lord.
2. The tithe is the first 10% of our income and increase of whatever the Lord has given to us.
3. When we tithe, God will Sanctify the remaining 90% of what we have.

Summary - Financial Freedom [Part 3]



4. We are to **Bring All** the tithe to the storehouse i.e. the local church.
5. Tithes, offerings and alms.
6. Tithing was instituted way **Before** the law.
7. Intentionally Give and Sow your tithes and offerings with **Prayer**.
8. Tithing is our response of love to **Honour** God.

FINANCIAL **Freedom**

[PART 4]

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WISDOM PRINCIPLES



WISDOM PRINCIPLES

FOR FINANCIAL FREEDOM



1. Guard your heart from the **Love of Money**.
 - A. The love of money is serving **mammon**.

Matthew 6:24

“No one can serve two masters;

for either he will hate the one and love the other,
or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other.

You cannot serve God and mammon.

1. Guard your heart from the Love of Money.



A. The love of money is serving mammon.

1 Timothy 6:17

Command those who are rich in this present age not to be **haughty**, nor to **trust in uncertain riches** but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy.

Deuteronomy 8:18

1. Guard your heart from the Love of Money.



B. The love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.

1 Timothy 6:10

For the **love of money is a root of all kinds of evil**, for which some have strayed from the faith in their **greediness**, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

1. Guard your heart from the Love of Money.



c. The love of money is covetousness and covetousness is idolatry.

Colossians 3:5

Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and **covetousness, which is idolatry.**

Hebrews 13:5a

Let your **conduct be without covetousness;**

1. Guard your heart from the Love of Money.



D. The love of money is a temptation and snare leading to destruction.

1 Timothy 6:9

But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a **snare**, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition.

e.g. Margin Trading for “**quick**” gains - losses-death

1. Guard your heart from the Love of Money.



E. The love of money will choke the seed of God's Word in your life.

Matthew 13:22

Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the **deceitfulness of riches choke the word**, and he becomes unfruitful.

Losing interest in spiritual things - backslide...

1. Guard your heart from the Love of Money.



F. The love of money will wear you out.

Proverbs 23:4-5

4 Do **not overwork to be rich**;

because of your own understanding, cease!

5 Will you set your eyes on that which is not?

For **riches certainly make themselves wings**;

they fly away like an eagle toward heaven.

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2. Determine your **Priority** of values with regards to money.

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or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other.

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2. Determine your Priority of values with regards to money.



A. That our relationship with God is the most important thing in our lives.

i. We honor Him when we bring all our tithes to Him.

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Proverbs 3:9

Honor the LORD with your possessions,
and with the firstfruits of all your increase

Malachi 3:8

Will a man **rob God**? Yet you have robbed Me!
But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?'
In tithes and offerings.

2. Determine your **Priority** of values with regards to money.



A. That our relationship with **God** is the most important thing in our lives.

ii. When we walk with God and follow His Word, our lives will be in **alignment** and equilibrium.

2. Determine your **Priority** of values with regards to money.



A. That our relationship with **God** is the most important thing in our lives.

iii. We will then be **successful** and prosperous.

Joshua 1:8

Psalms 1:2-3

2. Determine your **Priority** of values with regards to money.



B. That we must first provide for our own **family** and **household**.

1 Timothy 5:8

But if anyone does not **provide for his own**, and especially for those of **his household**, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

Have you provided for your parents?

2. Determine your **Priority** of values with regards to money.



c. Then, the **family of believers** are the next group of people we are to bless according to our capacity.

Galatians 6:10

Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us **do good** to all, **especially** to those who are of the **household of faith**.

2. Determine your **Priority** of values with regards to money.



D. Then, according to our capacity, seek opportunities to bless **those who cross our path** - **Galatians 6:9-10**

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3. Know that some Things / Values are more important than money.

e.g. 1 - Our spiritual life and growth.

e.g. 2 - Building a strong marriage.

e.g. 3 - Bringing up children in the fear and the knowledge of the Lord.

- The mother who sacrifices her career to be a homemaker.

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e.g. 4 - Work towards Financial Freedom:

- Downgrading to preserve disposable income to reduce financial burden on the household.
- Cut losses to stop the financial bleeding.
- Getting rid of the second house or the car and take public transport in order to breathe financially.

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4. Determine your standard and level of life to live **Simply** to meet all your needs.
 - A. This is your **baseline** to live in godly contentment.

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1 Timothy 6:6-8

6 Now **godliness with contentment is great gain.**

7 For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.

8 And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content.

A. This is your baseline to live in godly contentment.



Philippians 4:11

11 Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have **learned** in whatever state I am, **to be content**:

Hebrews 13:5

Let your conduct be without covetousness;
be content ...

4. Determine your standard and level of life to live Simply to meet all your needs.



B. Anything above this baseline, enjoy and abound.

Philippians 4:12-13

12I know how to be **abased**, and I know how **to abound**. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to **be full** and to be **hungry**, both to **abound** and to **suffer need**. 13I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

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5. Know and understand the dynamics of **Borrowings / Debt.**

A. We live in a fallen world of **Man's** order of buying and selling, borrowing and lending.

B. **Proverbs 22:7** - the borrower is servant to the **lender.**

5. Know and understand the dynamics of **Borrowing / Debt**.



- c. Only borrow when you have income sources to **more** than meet the monthly repayments to the bank / financial institutions.
- d. Only borrow when your rate of return on your business and investments is **more** than the cost of borrowings.
- e. Wherever possible, review and get **out** of debt.

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6. In all your monetary affairs, seek the Lord for Wisdom and Favour.

Psalm 5:12

For You, O LORD, will bless the **righteous**;
with **favour** You will surround him as with a shield.

Psalm 84:11

6. It is all your monetary affairs, seek the Lord for Wisdom and Favour



James 1:5

If any of you lacks **wisdom**, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

Proverbs 21:20

There is desirable treasure, and oil in the **dwelling of the wise**, but a foolish man squanders it.

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7. As stewards, we are to be **Faithful** and **Wise**.

A. **Matthew 24:45-51** - We are to be end-times **Faithful** and **Wise** Servants of God.

Luke 16:10-12

Faithful in little ... also in much

7. As stewards, we are to be Faithful and Wise.



B. The wealth of the world is stored for the righteous - *faithful and wise servant of God*.

✓ This is not for every believer.

✓ It is for the faithful and wise.

✓ It is for those able to handle.

e.g. *You don't give your car key to a 13 year old.*

7. As stewards, we are to be Faithful and Wise.



Proverbs 15:6

In the **house of the righteous** there is **much treasure**, but in the revenue of the wicked is trouble.

Faithfulness - Righteousness

Right Standing and Right Doing-Living

7. As stewards, we are to be Faithful and Wise.



Some Applications:

- Never live beyond our means [MJ].
- Count our cost in every financial decision.
- Weigh risks and rewards always.
- Never gamble your money.

7. As stewards, we are to be Faithful and Wise.



Some Applications:

- Have a budget for capital and running expense.
- Never eat your seed. Sow them.
- Give and invest in your heavenly account.

Philippians 4:17 - Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account.

7. As stewards, we are to be Faithful and Wise.



Some Applications:

- Seek value purchases.
- Seek quality where needed.
- Make relevant and suitable investments.

7. As stewards, we are to be Faithful and Wise.



Some Applications:

- Think twice on that vacation / big ticket item.
- A \$ saved is a \$ income.
- Know difference between selfishness and self-care.

7. As stewards, we are to be Faithful and Wise.



c. Wisdom has to be sought.

Proverbs 8:17

I love those who **love me [wisdom]**, and those who **seek** me diligently will find me.

7. As stewards, we are to be Faithful and Wise.



D. Diligence is a mark of faithfulness.

Proverbs 10:4

He who has a slack hand becomes poor, but the hand of the **diligent** makes rich.

Proverbs 12:11

He who tills his land will be satisfied with bread, but he who follows frivolity is devoid of understanding.

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8. Our ultimate goal is never wealth by itself, it is **Ministry** to others.
 - Wealth is just a **tool** for ministry.
 - Wealth to **bless** others, be **generous**, **give**.
 - Blessed to **bless** others!

8. Blessed to **Bless** Others!



Proverbs 11:25

The generous soul will be made rich, and he who waters will also be watered himself.

1 Timothy 6:18-19

18 Let them **do good**, that they **be rich in good works**, **ready to give**, **willing to share**, 19 storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

8. Blessed to Bless Others!



2 Corinthians 9:8-11

8And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an **abundance for every good work.**

9As it is written: “He has dispersed abroad, He has **given to the poor**; His righteousness endures forever.”

8. Blessed to Bless Others!



2 Corinthians 9:8-11

10 Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and **increase the fruits of your righteousness**, 11 while you are **enriched** in everything **for all liberality**, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.

SUMMARY



Financial Freedom = Being Free From:

- not having enough
- the spirit of poverty / poverty mindset
- attitudes of hoarding and stingy-ness
- covetousness
- jealousy & envy of others by constant comparison
- holding ever so tightly to money

SUMMARY



Financial Freedom =

- Honoring God with our first fruits
- Sowing and reaping and sowing again
- Having all sufficiency in all things to do good works
- Freely receive - freely give
- More blessed to give than to receive