

SC Church
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Legacy of Wealth
Managing God's Resources

- A. Legacy - Faith, Character, Health, and Wealth.
 - a. Last week – Our Debt repellent is Contentment
 - i. We choose to live content keeping our eyes on our Provider and resting in His provision.
 - b. Ramsey+. Text us your name at 703.679.7784 if you would like the link to join Ramsey+ for free for a year.

- B. Intro: What is a problem that you have ignored?
 - a. Proverbs 27:12 NLT – ¹² A prudent person foresees danger and takes precautions. The simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences.
 - b. Psalm 24:1 NLT – ¹ The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him.

- C. Big Idea: Doing our best to manage God's resources well is expected and when we do, it brings us peace and freedom.

- D. Scripture: Proverbs 27:23-27 NLT – ²³ Know the state of your flocks, and put your heart into caring for your herds, ²⁴ for riches don't last forever, and the crown might not be passed to the next generation. ²⁵ After the hay is harvested and the new crop appears and the mountain grasses are gathered in, ²⁶ your sheep will provide wool for clothing, and your goats will provide the price of a field. ²⁷ And you will have enough goats' milk for yourself, your family, and your servant girls.

- E. How do we manage God's resources well?
 - a. Take inventory of what God has placed in your hands
 - i. Time, Family, Health
 - ii. Possessions
 - 1. House
 - 2. Cars
 - 3. Finances

 - b. Know the current state of your resources
 - i. What needs attention or maintenance? What is in bad shape? What is leaking? What is losing money? Where am I spending too much?
 - 1. Proverbs 23:4-5 NLT – ⁴ Don't wear yourself out trying to get rich. Be wise enough to know when to quit. ⁵ In the blink of an eye wealth disappears, for it will sprout wings

and fly away like an eagle.

- c. Put your heart into caring for what God has entrusted to you
 - i. Proverbs 21:5 NLT – ⁵ Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty.
 - ii. Make a plan to manage the resources well
 - 1. Make a new budget every month that gives every dollar a name.
 - 2. Make a sinking fund to save for resources that need replacement – like cars and appliances.
 - 3. Put together a team of people that will help you oversee your resources.
 - a. Insurance Agent for Car and Life insurance, CPA for taxes, Financial Planner for investments, Lawyer for your Will
 - iii. Financial Peace Baby Steps – Rameysolutions.com
 - 1. Save \$1000 for your starter emergency fund.
 - 2. Pay off all debt (except the house) using the debt snowball.
 - 3. Save 3-6 months of expenses in a fully funded emergency fund.
 - 4. Invest 15% of your household income in retirement.
 - 5. Save for your children’s college fund.
 - 6. Pay off your home early.
 - 7. Build wealth and give.

- F. What are the benefits to managing resources well?
 - a. Resources will last longer and work more optimally
 - b. More than enough to meet your needs
 - c. Live in Greater Peace and be able to bless others more often

G. Close: What resource needs your attention right now? Where are you not at peace?

- a. Next Steps
 - i. Memorize: Proverbs 27:12
 - ii. Evaluate: What am I currently managing poorly? What problem am I ignoring that I need to deal with?
 - iii. Action: Take inventory of what God has put in your hands and make a plan to manage His stuff well.