

## THE FINANCIAL COVENANT

### Matthew 6:33

**But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.**

### STUDY GUIDE

Christians have been held back thinking about that rich young ruler (Mark 10: 17-31), the rich farmer (Luke 12:16-21), and the rich man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31).

Many dedicated, well-meaning Christians believe preachers who misquote 1 Timothy 6:10, saying, "Money is the root of all evil," without even looking up the verse.

There is Kingdom business to be taken care of, and it is the Church's responsibility to take care of it. It's a Christian mission, and it's going to take Christians' money to carry it out.

God has a financial covenant for His people.

But the world has a covenant too. You see, anything that God does, Satan will try to duplicate or counterfeit. And he is the god of this world system. (2 Cor. 4:4.) But the world's covenant is designed to break you and make you a driven, nervous wreck, clamoring for more money. And the world is in on the lie that Christians should be satisfied being broke.

In order to tap in to God's financial covenant, Christians have to be willing to be taught scripturally and to change their minds if their thinking doesn't line up with the truth of God's Word. They have to be willing to hear and not be "traditionally deaf" to what the Spirit of God is saying.

You have to put yourself in a position where God can bless you multiplied times beyond what any job can pay you.)

There is a definite connection between God's mission and your money.

### John 14:12

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So these "**greater works**" have to be dealing with quantity. We as the entire Body of Christ together have to do a greater quantity of works, because we have more territory—the world—to cover than Jesus did when He was on the earth.

### Mark 16:15-18

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Going into all the world and doing the works of Jesus is going to take more than prayer. Going into all the world is going to take more than being spiritually "deep" and just talking and philosophizing about going. And the Lord wants you to be a pipeline He can channel His money through.

**Psalm 24:1**

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**Psalm 50:10,12**

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**Haggai 2:8**

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All the silver and all the gold and the world and the fulness thereof belong to God. He gave it to the first man, Adam. Adam was a wealthy man. He was in dominion— he was in authority. But then he sold out to Satan through disobedience to God, and Satan became the god of this world.

**Luke 10:19**

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**Rom. 5:17**

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God wants you dominating in every area of your life.

The mission is more important than the money, but the money is important to the mission. The money and the mission are a divine combination.

Some people don't want to use the word "**divine**" in connection with money.

But if the Gospel is preached and people get saved, that's divine.

There is a connection between the mission and money. The mission cannot be accomplished without our giving.

Giving is a grace, and we are all called to appropriate this grace.

**2 Cor. 8:9**

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Our prosperity is a grace. Our being financially able to withstand anything that comes against our families is a grace.

And our being prompt-to-do-it givers, ready at all times to meet the cause, is a grace.

**Don't Forfeit Your Grace**

If you don't make a covenant with God, you are going to make a covenant with the world. If you don't make a financial covenant with Almighty God, you are going to make a financial covenant with this world system.

**Reaping Without A Revelation**

One of the greatest revelations you can receive is the revelation of God as a Giver.

This revelation is greater than the revelation of reaping, because if you really know God as a Giver, reaping is no problem.

We have held reaping in high priority, and we've been trying to reap without a revelation.

Are you giving because of a revelation or merely for a reward? Knowing God as a Giver means knowing why He gives.

Knowing why the Giver gives will enable you to reap successfully. You'll stay focused on the revelation of why God gives.

Some people are sowing money, not because they have the revelation, but because they just want the reward. They don't have the revelation that God gives so they can receive and become a pipeline of financial blessing so that His work can advance. They don't have the revelation of the mission.

Reaping according to revelation is a maturing process.

You see, being a money missionary and doing your part to fulfill the financial covenant is not about rewards and what you're going to get out of it. It's about loving God and wanting to get the job done.

What is your priority? Your financial priority is what God is looking at.

**Matthew 26:6-10**

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### What Will You Give Me

**Matthew 26:11-15**

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Judas was Jesus' treasurer. He handled money, but he didn't have the revelation.

He had a "broke, gotta-have-more" mentality that ended up ruining him.

Did you know that if you don't get this revelation of money's mission, or purpose, then when you get your paycheck on payday, you will still be broke?

What economists predict and project will bother you; interest rates will bother you; investment dilemmas will bother you. You will be troubled about money because you will have a "**broke**" mentality.

When you don't have the assurance that God's hand is on your money, everything will bother you because you will be uncertain of your future.

### God's Financial Covenant Versus the World's Financial Covenant

**Matthew 26:15**

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Christians have been crying out to the world, saying, "What are you going to give me?"

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But to be a money missionary, you have to give because you love Him.

When you have the revelation of the mission and purpose for money, you're not wishy-washy about giving.

You give no matter what, because you want to see God's mission accomplished in the earth.

We have to get to that place in our attitudes and our thinking if we want to be money missionaries. We can't think of giving as a swap-out deal.

I'm not saying that it's wrong to expect to receive. We have to expect to receive because the Bible says that we can and should.

**James 2:20,26**

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If you're believing for money, but you're not tithing and giving, you're going to come up short in your faith, because you don't have any works.

**Matthew 26:8,9**

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**Matthew 26:15**

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### The Hard Statement

**Hosea 4:6**

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**2 Cor. 4:4**

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### You Have To Know The Purpose, or Your Giving Will Seem Like A Waste

**Matthew 26:6-8**

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**1 John 3:8**

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**John 8:32**

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**Rom.10:17**

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**Romans 10:14,15**

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**Acts 10:1,2**

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**Acts 10:3,4**

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**Consult the Lord In Your Giving**

The key to being a money missionary is not just giving; it's giving when God tells you to give and to whom God tells you to give.

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When God asks you to give, He has a double blessing in mind. He wants to bless the one you give money to, and He wants to bless you in return for your obedience.

So God needs to be the One who's prompting your giving, not some other person or your own feelings.

**Acts 10:1-4**

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Notice how prayer goes with giving.

When the mission is understood and put first above everything else, "millionaire status" is released in that person's life. His financial position can become limitless, because you can't out-give God.

**Matthew 6:33**

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Don't let anything distract you from the Kingdom of God and His mission."

Don't let anything distract you from your assignment.

Don't let anyone distract you or rob you of your heritage. You know the Lord is your provider, your source and your deliverer. Your salvation and blessing don't come from a man.

**Increase And Honor or Decrease And Shame**

You know who has brought you up to where you are today financially compared to where you were in years past.

Being in covenant with God brings increase and honor. Being in covenant with the world brings decrease and shame.

But the covenant is twofold. God will fulfill His part of the covenant too. Because you are in covenant with God, He has to show Himself strong on your behalf that the heathen might know that your God is bigger than their god.

God royally takes care of His own when they obey Him so that the heathen might know that the true and living God is bigger than their god. We need to be able to tell the heathen, "My God is bigger than your god."

**Isaiah 1:19**

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**Luke 6:38**

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Money walks through men's hands.

You can enter into a covenant with God by becoming a money missionary.

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Be careful not to contaminate that anointing with your mouth by talking against people or by speaking words of unbelief. With your finances under the anointing, increase must come your way.

Stay under that anointing where God by His Spirit can rearrange things for you financially and set you in a sure place. When you use your money for God's mission, God will bring you into your wealthy place.

### **WEALTH CONFESSION**

**I'm headed to my wealthy place because I'm using my wealth for God's mission. I'm fulfilling my part of the covenant, and I'll never be broke another day in my life. In fact, I'm going to prosper all the days of my life. Money cometh to me now**