HOPE FOR MY FINANCES

Hope for the Future – Part 1

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"Answer me when I call to you, my righteous God. Give me relief from my distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer." (Psalm 4:1, NIV)

How Do You Spell Financial R.E.L.I.E.F?

RECOGNIZE the problem.

"There was a time when I wouldn't admit what a sinner I was. But my dishonesty made me miserable and filled my days with frustration." (Psalm 32:3, The Living Bible)

"Then I let it all out; I said, "I'll make a clean breast of my failures to God." Suddenly the pressure was gone— my guilt dissolved, my sin disappeared." (Psalm 32:5, The Message)

Express your **DEPENDENCE** on God.

"The wicked are too proud to seek God. They seem to think that God is dead." (Psalm 10:4, NLT)

"O Lord, you are so good, so ready to forgive, so full of unfailing love for all who ask for your help." (Psalm 86:5, NLT)

"Commit everything you do to the LORD. Trust him, and he will help you." (Psalm 37:5, NLT)

Learn healthy **HABITS**.

"Of what use is money in the hand of a fool, since he has no desire to get wisdom?" (Proverbs 17:16, NIV84)

"I am eager to learn all that you want me to do; help me to understand more and more." (Psalm 119:32, CEV)

"An intelligent person aims at wise action, but a fool starts off in many directions." (Proverbs 17:24, GNB)

I nitiate change IN STAGES.

"Money that comes easily disappears quickly, but money that is gathered little by little will grow." (Proverbs 13:11, NCV)

"The LORD directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives." (Psalm 37:23, NLT)

"I have considered my ways and have turned my steps to your statutes." (Psalm 119:59, NIV)

Excel in **GIVING** throughout.

"A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed." (Proverbs 11:25, NIV)

"Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely, who conduct their affairs with justice." (Psalm 112:5, NIV)

"Once I was young, and now I am old. Yet I have never seen the godly abandoned or their children begging for bread." (Psalm 37:25, NLT)

Focus on financial **HEALTH** not **WEALTH**.

"O God, I beg two favors from you; let me have them before I die. First, help me never to tell a lie. Second, give me neither poverty nor riches! Give me just enough to satisfy my needs. For if I grow rich, I may deny you and say, "Who is the LORD?" And if I am too poor, I may steal and thus insult God's holy name." (Proverbs 30:7–9, NLT)

ACTION STEP:
90 DAY TITHE CHALLENGE
FINANCIAL BOOTCAMP!