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## **SEQUOIA NOTES**

### Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

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With Ryan Dawson, Lead Pastor Nov. 22, 2015



"Saving is making provision for tomorrow, while debt is presumption upon tomorrow." Howard Dayton

Big Idea: The wise save so they can reflect God and serve others.

Joseph collected all the food produced in those seven years of abundance in Egypt and stored it in the cities... Joseph stored up huge quantities of grain, like the sand of the sea; it was so much that he stopped keeping records because it was beyond measure.

Genesis 41:48-49

#### What should we save for?

- Emergency Fund
- Short-Term Savings
- Long-Term Savings

### How should we prioritize our money? www.compass1.org/resources/compass-map/

- 1. Give to God
- 2. Operate within your Budget
- 3. Build Emergency Fund
- 4. Pay off Consumer Debt
- 5. Invest for Future
- 6. Pay off Mortgage

#### How should we invest?

Have a Workable Plan:

Proverbs 21:5 Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty.

**Understand Compounding:** 

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

Money + Time + Consistency = Wealth.

Diversify Investments:

Fcclesiastes11:2

Avoid Risky <u>Investments:</u>

Ecclesiastes 5:13-16

**Invest in your Relationship with God:** 

Luke 12:16-21,34

2 Corinthians 8:9 You know the generous grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty he could make you rich.

The Translation of the Bible Scriptures used in today's 10:10 service are from the New Living Translation(NLT).