

# Divine Life Church Worship & Training Center

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## My Mind & My Money VI. Why Do We Need Money? Apostle Tony Wade

Money does not give you value. Your value comes from God. If an individual has resources (money), he can create change. Ecclesiastes says, "*money answers all things*". Money is a method of payment. Our society operates by using currency. Money (currency) is a medium of exchange for goods and services. Salvation is free, but ministry costs. God has given us a Kingdom assignment and money is required to fulfill the assignment.

### Key Points

1. Money is used to create change and gives an individual options to make choices.
2. People have been conditioned to wait/trust in the government to fix society's problems.



### Isaiah 9:6 – 7 (NKJV)

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup> Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

- ⇒ The government is upon Jesus' shoulders. Most people depend on the natural government instead of the government of God.
- ⇒ We are Kingdom Citizens and are to do God's bidding on the earth.
- ⇒ As Kingdom Ambassadors, we are to reconcile the world back to Him. We are to be the vessels that God uses to draw people to Him.
- ⇒ We need money to create change in the world.
  - When it comes to money, do you think like "church folks" or "Kingdom citizens". Explain.
  - How can having money cause change in people's lives?

### Matthew 6:25 – 34 (NKJV)

<sup>25</sup> "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?<sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?<sup>27</sup> Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature?<sup>28</sup> "So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin;<sup>29</sup> and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.<sup>30</sup> Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?<sup>31</sup> "Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'" <sup>32</sup> For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup> But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.<sup>34</sup> Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

- ⇒ God is our source, and He is in control of all the resources. We must learn to believe and trust God for bigger. You are one idea away from your financial life being shifted.
- ⇒ Gentiles are people who do not have a covenant relationship with God. They seek stuff and not God.
- ⇒ When God is your first priority, He gives you the wisdom, knowledge, and understanding to get provisions.
- ⇒ When we follow God's leading, He will sustain us and answer someone else's prayer. God will bless us so we can be a blessing to someone.
- ⇒ When you are looking to be blessed, you view things differently from someone who is able to be a blessing.
  - Do you see God for who He is?
  - How is your thinking different from a Gentile when it comes to resources?
  - Give an example of when you believed God for a resource, and it manifested.
  - Do you allow situations to frustrate you and shift your mind from believing God?
  - Are you too focused on tomorrow to recognize the blessings of today?

### 1 Corinthians 4: 2

Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.

- ⇒ A steward is a manager of someone else's resources. We are God's stewards on the earth.
- ⇒ Our mind needs to shift and remove the limitations from God. We need to think like Kingdom Citizens, because God wants us to steward money for His purpose and His plan.
  - How are you stewarding God's resources?
  - Does your stewardship include the purpose and plan for God concerning your assignment?

#### 4 REASONS WHY WE NEED MONEY

##### 1. To be a Kingdom Benefactor

- a. Exodus 35:4 – 5 & Exodus 12:30 -
- b. God gives resources to people who will manage it and do his bidding on the earth.
- c. God knows how to get His resources in our hand, when we believe for the resources.
- d. When you have the favor of God, He will fight for you.
- e. The children of Israel did as Moses instructed them. It is important to have a real man or woman of God leading you.
- f. When God causes an opportunity of blessing, move quickly before the enemy has an opportunity to speak into someone's hearing and causes him/her to change his/her mind.

##### 2. To take care of your family

- a. 1 Timothy 5:8 & 2 Thessalonians 3:10
- b. If you don't take care of your family, you are worse than an unbeliever.

##### 3. To enjoy the earth

- a. 1 Timothy 6: 17 – 18 & Luke 12: 15
- b. God doesn't mind you have money. He doesn't want you to worship it.
- c. When you have more, you are able to do more good works.
- d. When an individual uses natural resources to benefit the Kingdom, he/she will have eternal riches.
- e. You don't have to covet anything. Your life isn't about what you possess, but how did your riches benefit the Kingdom.

##### 4. To leave in inheritance

- a. Proverbs 13:22
- b. We need money to touch our 3<sup>rd</sup> generation. Kingdom Ambassadors leave a righteous legacy passed down through generations,

Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. <sup>2</sup> Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. <sup>3</sup> Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; <sup>4</sup> but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word."

- ⇒ The Kingdom of God should have resources to help with societal problems. We should have God's heart when helping others and treat them with respect and dignity. How people are treated affects how they think. Because some people profit from others' pain, we (DLC) will be an answer to societal problems.

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- Medical centers
- Mental health centers
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