

Series: Money Matters: Biblical Guidelines for Today's Reality

Title: *Money Investments: Discovering the Ultimate Investment Guide*

Text: Psalm 34:8

Introduction:

"He is no fool who gives up that which he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose." – Jim Elliott.

Memory Verse

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. (Matthew 6:33)

Big Idea

Investing in eternity secures the greatest _____.

Let's look at three truths about investing in eternity.

I) You will _____ if you Invest in Eternity.

A. You will gain eternal _____.

Know ye not that they which run in a race run all...run, that ye may obtain.... Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. (1 Corinthians 9:24-25)

For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming? (1 Thessalonians 2:19)

Therefore, my... joy and crown. (Philippians 4:1)

B. You will see _____ in eternity that you invested in.

Now ye Philippians... no church communicated with me...but ye only...once and again unto my necessity...I desire...fruit that may abound to your account. (Philippians 4:15-17)

C. You will gain _____ opportunity in eternity.

His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things. (Matthew 25:21)

He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much...If...ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? (Luke 16:10-11)

D. You will grow _____.

Thou shalt eat before the LORD...the tithe of thy corn...wine...oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and...flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always. (Deuteronomy 14:23)

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

E. You will remove God's _____ and gain God's blessing.



Bring ye all the tithes...and prove me...if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour...out a blessing...I will rebuke the devourer... saith the LORD of hosts. (Malachi 3:10-11)

II) You can start Investing by _____.

A. Tithing took place before the _____.

And Melchizedek king of Salem...and...priest of the most high God...said, Blessed be Abram...And blessed be the most high God...and he gave him tithes of all. (Genesis 14:18-20)

B. Jesus emphasized tithing in the _____ Testament.

For ye pay tithe...and have omitted the weightier matters of the law...these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone. (Matthew 23:23)

C. Paul alluded to tithing in his _____ to churches.

Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come. (1 Corinthians 16:2)

III) You can Increase your Investment through _____ Promise.

A. The Macedonian churches gave to _____.

Moreover...we do you to wit of the grace...bestowed on the churches of Macedonia...the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality. For ...beyond their power they were willing of themselves...by the will of God. (2 Corinthians 8:1-5)

B. The Bible _____ us to give to missions.

As ye abound in every thing...see that ye abound in this grace also. (2 Corinthians 8:7)

C. Giving to missions is _____.

And herein I give my advice: for this is expedient for you. (2 Corinthians 8:10)

D. Giving to missions needs to be _____.

And this they did...unto us by the will of God. (2 Corinthians 8:5)

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. (James 1:22)

Conclusion:

Bring ye all the tithes...and prove me...if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour...out a blessing...I will rebuke the devourer... saith the LORD of hosts. (Malachi 3:10-11)

When you choose to support the church and its mission through your tithes and offerings you have given God the maximum opportunity to bless your life now and for eternity.

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