

# **What Jesus Says About Your Money**

## *Pt. 3 – Delay*

**Three words that will change my financial life:**

### Obey

*Mal. 3:7* “You have a long history of ignoring my commands. You haven’t done a thing I’ve told you. Return to me so I can return to you,” says God of-the-Angel-Armies. “You ask, ‘But how do we return?’” <sup>8</sup>“Begin by being honest. Do honest people rob God? But you rob me day after day. “You ask, ‘How have we robbed you?’” “The tithe and the offering -that’s how! <sup>9</sup>And now you’re under a curse -the whole lot of you - because you’re robbing me. <sup>10</sup>Bring your full tithe to the Temple treasury so there will be ample provisions in my Temple. Test me in this and see if I don’t open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings beyond your wildest dreams.” (The Message)

### Pay

*Prov. 22:7* *The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender. (NIV)*

### Delay

1. Delay the purchase.

*Lk. 14:28* *But don’t begin until you count the cost. For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it?*

*Lk. 12:15* *Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.*

2. Delay the upgrade.

3. Delay the raise.

*Lk. 16:10* *If you are faithful in little things, you will be faithful in large ones. But if you are dishonest in little things, you won’t be honest with greater responsibilities. And if you are untrustworthy about worldly wealth, who will trust you with the true riches of heaven?*

*Prov. 13:11* *...he who gathers money little by little makes it grow.*

*Prov. 25:28* *Like a city whose walls are broken down is a man who lacks self-control.*

*Mt. 6:33 Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

*Prov. 21:5 Careful planning puts you ahead in the long run; hurry and scurry puts you further behind. (The Message)*