

## **Timeless, Pt. 3: Financial Freedom**

For thousands of years, the Bible has contained the best financial principles to help people achieve financial freedom. These principles worked thousands of years ago, and they're just as effective today - they are timeless financial truths.

**Bottom Line:** God's principles for financial management lead to financial freedom.

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. How would you define "financial freedom"?
- 2. Why do you think we have so much stress around money, finances, and possessions?
- 3. Based on financial research, Americans are deeply in debt, have virtually no savings, and couldn't pay cash for \$600 emergency. In other words, we're broke. What factors have gotten us to where we are?
- 4. **Read Deuteronomy 28:1-14**. Although this was written to the Jewish people thousands of years ago, do you believe this still represents God's heart for people who follow him today? Why or why not?
- 5. **Read Malachi 3:7-11 and Matthew 6:33-34**. Why is it important that we prioritize God when it comes to our finances? Why is this difficult?
- 6. The word "budget" has almost become a negative word for some. Why do you think this is? Do you have a budget? How closely do you follow it? How have you found it to be helpful?
- 7. **Read Ecclesiastes 5:10 & 6:9**. Do you find it difficult to be content with what you have? Discuss a time when you or someone you know was discontent with what they had. What was your/their behavior and the overall outcome?
- 8. If you have more income than expenses, then you have financial margin and much less stress. What would it take for you to increase your financial margin?
- 9. What was the most challenging idea/thought to you from the message?
- 10. What was the most helpful/encouraging thought or idea from the message this week? How did it help you?
- 11. How can the group encourage you this week?

## Here are some free resources

that will help you with your budgeting process