

Essential Values Concerning

FINANCES

- The Treasures of Your Heart
- The Value of Giving
- The Value of Believing
- The Value of Stewardship
- The Value of Work

## Luke 19:13 *(KJV)*

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IS COMING AGAIN  
MEANWHILE WE SHOULD BE

**OCCUPIED**

UNTIL HE COMES

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**CHANGE  
LIVES**

IN DOING SO  
WE ARE EXPECTED TO

**INCREASE**

OUR LORD'S MONEY

*(Increase His Kingdom)*

## Isaiah 9:6 *(KJV)*

6“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.”





## Isaiah 9:7 *(KJV)*

7“Of the **increase** of His government and peace there shall 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..”



## Deuteronomy 8:18 *(KJV)*

<sup>18</sup>“And you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is **He Who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant** which He swore to your fathers, so it is this day.”



## Genesis 1:28 *(KJV)*

28“Then God blessed them, and God said to them, ‘**Be fruitful and multiply**; fill the earth and subdue it have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.’”



## Genesis 2:15 *(KJV)*

<sup>15</sup>“Then the Lord, God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden **to tend and keep it.**”



SINCE CREATION  
IN A PERFECT WORLD  
BEFORE THE FALL EXISTED  
GOD CREATED MAN TO

**WORK**

SINCE CREATION  
IN A DISPENSATION OF GRACE  
BEFORE THE LAW EXISTED  
GOD CREATED MAN TO

**WORK**

SOME OF US  
MAY NEED TO

**SPEED  
IT UP**

SOME OF US  
MAY NEED TO

**SLOW  
IT DOWN**



*PAUL WARNED:*

AGAINST

**IDLENESS**

## 2 Thessalonians 3:8-13 (NKJV)

<sup>8</sup>“Nor did we eat anyone’s bread free of charge, but **worked with labor and toil night and day**, that we might not be a burden to any of you,”



## 2 Thessalonians 3:8-13 *(NKJV)*

9“not because we do not have authority, but to make ourselves an example of how you should follow us.”



## 2 Thessalonians 3:8-13 (NKJV)

<sup>10</sup>“For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: **If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat.**”



## 2 Thessalonians 3:8-13 (NKJV)

<sup>11</sup>“For we hear that there are some who walk among you in a disorderly manner, **not working at all**, but are busybodies.”



## 2 Thessalonians 3:8-13 (NKJV)

<sup>12</sup>“Now those who are such we command and exhort through our Lord Jesus Christ that **they work** in quietness and eat their own bread.”



## 2 Thessalonians 3:8-13 *(NKJV)*

<sup>13</sup>“But as for you, brethren, do not grow weary in doing good.”



*PAUL PROFESSED:*

THEY NEVER TRIED TO  
GET SOMETHING FOR

**NOTHING**



*PAUL SAID:*

WE WORKED SO NO MAN  
WOULD THEM

**ANYTHING**

*PAUL WANTED*

TO BE AN

**EXAMPLE**

FOR THEM TO FOLLOW

*PAUL COMMANDED*

THE PEOPLE TO

**WORK**

*PAUL DECLARED*

THOSE WHO

**REFUSE**

TO WORK

SHOULDN'T EAT

*PAUL DECLARED*

IT TO BE

**DISORDERLY**

FOR PEOPLE

NOT TO WORK

IF YOU DON'T WORK

YOU WILL NOT

**GO FAR**

YOU WILL NOT BE  
SUCCESSFUL LONG-TERM  
IF YOU DO NOT

**WORK**

## 1 Timothy 5:18 *(NKJV)*

**18**“For the Scripture says, ‘**You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain,**’ and, ‘**The laborer is worthy of his wages.**’”





IT IS COMPLETELY

**SCRIPTURAL**

FOR PEOPLE TO WORK

**GOD GAVE ADAM  
A JOB**

**BEFORE**

**HE GAVE HIM A WIFE**

**ADAM'S WIFE WAS  
GIVEN AS A**

**HELP**

**MEET FOR HIM**

*(Genesis 2:18)*

**GOD GAVE ADAM  
A JOB**

**BEFORE**

**THE FALL**

**GOD GAVE ADAM  
A JOB**

**BEFORE**

**THE LAW**

THERE ARE  
**PRIORITIES**  
IN LIFE

*...Including Work*

## Proverbs 14:23 *(NKJV)*

<sup>23</sup>“In **all labor** there is profit, but idle chatter leads only to poverty.”



IN ALL WORK  
THERE IS

**PROFIT**



WORK MAY NOT ALWAYS BE  
WHAT YOU

**WANT**

IT TO BE

YOU MAY NOT ALWAYS  
LIKE THE

**PAY**

IN ALL WORK  
THERE IS

**PROFIT**

TALK ALONE IS

CHEAP

**IDLE TALK  
LEADS TO**

**POVERTY**

## Proverbs 12:11 *(NKJV)*

<sup>11</sup>“He who **tills his land** will be satisfied with bread, but he who follows frivolity is devoid of understanding.”



IF YOU WANT A  
**HARVEST**  
YOU NEED TO WORK

IT TAKES

**WORK**

TO PREPARE THE SOIL

SOW THE SEED

REAP THE HARVEST



THE GREATER  
THE HARVEST  
THE GREATER THE

**WORK**

IT TAKES MORE

**WORK**

TO HARVEST

30 ACRES OF CORN

**VS** 1 ACRE OF CORN

## Proverbs 28:19 *(NKJV)*

<sup>19</sup>“He who **tills his land** will have plenty of bread, but he who follows frivolity will have poverty enough!”



IT YOU GO TO WORK  
YOU WILL HAVE

**PLENTY**

TO EAT

**SOME PEOPLE  
ARE JUST**

**TALK**

AT THE END OF THE DAY  
THEY DON'T  
HAVE ANYTHING

TO SHOW  
FOR IT

*Consider  
This...*

IF YOU ARE  
DOING SOMETHING  
OVER AND OVER AGAIN  
AND NOT RECEIVING A

RETURN



THEN PERHAPS YOU  
OUGHT TO *CONSIDER*

**CHANGING**

YOUR METHOD

IF YOU KEEP MAKING

\$ 0.00

THEN MAYBE YOU  
SHOULD CHANGE  
WHAT YOU ARE DOING

TALK ALONE IS

CHEAP

*Consider  
This...*

MANY PEOPLE WILL FOLLOW  
THOSE WHO TALK BIG  
YET ARE NOT

DOING  
ANYTHING

THEN THERE ARE OTHERS  
WHO DON'T TALK SO MUCH  
BUT THEY REALLY

HAVE IT  
GOING ON

*Consider  
This...*

**FIND 3-4 PEOPLE IN THE AREA  
YOU WANT TO SUCCEED  
THAT ARE SUCCESSFUL**

**FIND OUT**

**WHAT THEY DID  
TO MAKE IT WORK**



TAKE THE  
**PRINCIPLES**

FROM THEIR SUCCESS  
AND APPLY THEM  
TO YOUR OWN WORK

## Proverbs 13:20 *(NKJV)*

<sup>20</sup>“He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed.”



IF YOU WANT TO BE

**WISE**

WALK WITH PEOPLE  
WHO ARE WISE

IF YOU WANT TO

**FAIL**

WALK WITH PEOPLE  
WHO HAVE FAILED

**DON'T JUST LISTEN TO  
WHAT PEOPLE DO**

**WATCH**

**WHAT THEY DO**

**TAKE**

**KNOWLEDGE**

**FROM THOSE WHO  
HAVE IT  
WORKING FOR THEM**

**BUT DON'T FOLLOW**

**VAIN**

**PEOPLE**

**VALUE**

**DILIGENCE**



## Proverbs 12:24 *(NKJV)*

24“The hand of the **diligent** will rule, but the lazy man will be put to forced labor.”



## Proverbs 13:4 *(NKJV)*

4“**The soul of a lazy man desires, and has nothing; but the soul of the diligent shall be made rich.**”



## Proverbs 21:5 *(NKJV)*

5 “The plans of the **diligent** lead surely to plenty, but those of everyone who is hasty, surely to poverty.”



FIND SOMETHING TO BE

**DILIGENT WITH**

IT WILL LEAD TO

**PLENTIFULNESS**

## Proverbs 22:29 *(NKJV)*

<sup>29</sup>“Do you see a man who excels in his work? He will stand before kings; he will not stand before unknown men.”



IF YOU STAY

**DILIGENT**

IT WILL LEAD TO

**ABUNDANCE**

DILIGENCE IS

WISDOM

NEVER

QUIT



*Consider  
This...*

**I WISH I ALWAYS  
MADE EVERY DECISION**

**RIGHT**

MANY SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE  
FIND THEMSELVES IN A

**CHALLENGE**

ONCE IN A WHILE

**EXPERIENCE**

**CAN TEACH  
YOU WISDOM**

# EXPERIENCE

CAN ALSO BE A  
COSTLY TEACHER

## Proverbs 27:23-24 *(NKJV)*

<sup>23</sup>“Be **diligent** to know the state of your flocks, and attend to your herds;”



## Proverbs 27:23-24 *(NKJV)*

<sup>24</sup>“For riches are not forever, nor does a crown endure to all generations.”



**BE DILIGENT**

**TO KNOW THE STATE  
OF YOUR FLOCKS**



**PAY  
ATTENTION**

**TO YOUR BUSINESS**

YOU ARE NOT  
TOO POOR TO

PAY  
ATTENTION

**STAY**

**AT IT**

## Proverbs 21:17 *(NKJV)*

<sup>17</sup>“He who loves pleasure will be a poor man; he who loves wine and oil will not be rich.”



WINE & PERFUME

=

LAZINESS

## Proverbs 22:13 *(NKJV)*

<sup>13</sup>“The lazy man says, ‘There is a lion outside! I shall be slain in the streets!’”



# FEAR

PROHIBITS THE LAZY  
FROM STEPPING OUT  
AND DOING SOMETHING

*SOLOMON TAUGHT:*

HE WHO OBSERVES THE WIND  
& REGARDS THE CLOUDS  
WILL NEITHER

**SOW** OR **REAP**

*(Ecclesiastes 11:1-10)*



## **Ecclesiastes 11:4** *(NKJV)*

4“He who observes the wind will not sow, and he who regards the clouds will not reap.”



## **Ecclesiastes 11:5** *(NKJV)*

<sup>5</sup>“As you do not know what is the way of the wind, or how the bones grow in the womb of her who is with child, so you do not know the works of God Who makes everything.”



## Ecclesiastes 11:6 *(NKJV)*

<sup>6</sup>“In the morning **sow your seed**, and in the evening **do not withhold your hand**; for you do not know which will prosper, either this or that, or whether both alike will be good.”



YOU CANNOT REAP  
WHAT YOU WILL NOT

**SOW**

IF YOU WON'T SOW  
YOU WON'T

REAP

**SOWING IS**

**WORKING**

KEEP SOWING  
IT WILL LEAD TO AN

**ABUNDANCE**

KEEP WORKING  
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**ABUNDANCE**



## Psalm 90:17 (NKJV)

17“And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and **establish the work of our hands** for us; yes, establish the work of our hands.”



HIS BEAUTY WILL  
ESTABLISH THE

**WORK**

OF OUR HANDS

# 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 (NKJV)

<sup>11</sup>“That you also aspire to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you,”



# 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 (NKJV)

<sup>12</sup>“that you may walk properly toward those who are outside, and that you may lack nothing.”



*PAUL TAUGHT:*

THE CHURCH TO LIVE

**ORDERLY**

*PAUL COMMANDS*

US TO

**WORK**

GOD DOES NOT  
WANT US TO

LACK

ANYTHING

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**ABUNDANCE  
IN EVERYTHING**



## Ephesians 4:28 *(NKJV)*

28“Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather **let him labor, working with his hands** what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need.”



WHY DO WE

WORK?

**WE WORK TO**

**GIVE**

IF YOU WILL  
MAKE GIVING YOUR

**GOAL**

YOU WILL NEVER  
LACK ANYTHING

WORKING JUST TO  
MAKE A LIVING IS VERY

SELFISH

## Colossians 3:23 *(NKJV)*

<sup>23</sup>“And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men.”



**WE WORK**

**UNTO**

**THE LORD**

**NOT MEN**

## Romans 12:11 *(NKJV)*

<sup>11</sup>“Not lagging in **diligence**, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.”





DON'T BE  
**SLOTHFUL**  
IN BUSINESS

**TAKE  
CARE OF  
YOUR BUSINESS**

## John 4:34 (NKJV)

<sup>34</sup>“Jesus said to them, ‘My food is to do the will of Him Who sent Me, **and to finish His work.**’”



## John 9:4 *(NKJV)*

4 “I must **work** the works of Him Who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work.”



**WE NEED TO  
REACH PEOPLE  
WHILE WE HAVE THE  
CHANCE**

**THE TIME  
WILL COME WHEN**

**NO ONE**

**WILL BE ABLE TO WORK**

**WE WORK  
WHILE WE HAVE THE  
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## John 17:4 *(NKJV)*

4“I have glorified You on the earth. **I have finished the work** which You have given Me to do.”



JESUS HAD  
A JOB TO DO AND

HE DID IT

IF YOU DON'T  
WANT TO WORK  
DON'T GO INTO THE

**MINISTRY**

## Acts 14:26 *(NKJV)*

<sup>26</sup>“From there they sailed to Antioch, where **they had been commended to the grace of God for the work** which they had completed.”



## **Acts 15:37-41** *(NKJV)*

<sup>37</sup>“Now Barnabas was determined to take with them John called Mark.”





## Acts 15:37-41 *(NKJV)*

<sup>38</sup>“But Paul insisted that they should not take with them the one who had departed from them in Pamphylia, **and had not gone with them to the work.**”



## **Acts 15:37-41** *(NKJV)*

<sup>39</sup>“Then the contention became so sharp that they parted from one another. And so Barnabas took Mark and sailed to Cyprus;”



## **Acts 15:37-41** *(NKJV)*

<sup>40</sup>“But Paul chose Silas and departed, being commended by the brethren to the grace of God.”



## **Acts 15:37-41** *(NKJV)*

**41**“And he went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.”



PAUL DID NOT  
WANT MARK  
BECAUSE HE DID NOT WANT TO

**WORK**

LATER ON PAUL WROTE  
THAT MARK WAS  
PROFITABLE FOR THE

**MINISTRY**

## 2 Timothy 4:11 *(NKJV)*

<sup>11</sup>“Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for **he is useful to me for ministry.**”



*Consider  
This...*



BARNABAS WAS AN APOSTLE  
BUT AFTER  
PAUL & BARNABAS ARGUED  
YOU NEVER HEAR ABOUT BARNABAS

**AGAIN**

**YOU MAY NOT ALWAYS  
LIKE OR AGREE WITH THEM  
BUT IT IS UNWISE TO COME**

**AGAINST**

**THE APOSTLES OF GOD**

## Hebrews 6:10 *(NKJV)*

<sup>10</sup>“For God is not unjust to forget your **work** and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister.”



## **Ephesians 4:11-12** *(NKJV)*

<sup>11</sup>“And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,”



## Ephesians 4:11-12 *(NKJV)*

<sup>12</sup>“for the equipping of the saints **for the work of ministry**, for the edifying of the body of Christ.”



OUR JOB IN  
THE FIVE-FOLD MINISTRY  
IS TO EQUIP THE SAINTS FOR THE

**WORK**

OF THE MINISTRY

**WE ALL HAVE A JOB  
TO DO IN THE**

**WORK**

**OF THE MINISTRY**

**UNITED WE CAN FULFILL  
WHAT GOD HAS**

**CALLED**

**US TO DO**



## 1 Timothy 3:1 *(NKJV)*

1“**This is a faithful saying:** If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good **work.**”



## 2 Timothy 4:5 *(NKJV)*

<sup>5</sup>“But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the **work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.**”



EPAPHRODITUS  
NEARLY

**WORKED**

HIMSELF TO DEATH

## Philippians 2:30 *(NKJV)*

<sup>30</sup>“Because for the **work** of Christ he came close to death, not regarding his life, to supply what was lacking in your service toward me.”



## 1 Corinthians 15:58 *(NKJV)*

<sup>58</sup>“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the **work** of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.”



## 1 Corinthians 16:10 *(NKJV)*

<sup>10</sup>“And if Timothy comes, see that he may be with you without fear; for he does the **work** of the Lord, as I also do.”



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*Established in*

His

**RIGHTEOUSNESS!**