

## Brand New Part 3: New Finances

*(2 Corinthians 5:17 TLB) When someone becomes a Christian, he becomes a brand new person inside. He is not the same anymore. A new life has begun!*

### **Mammon's Promises**

*(Luke 16:9 NKJV) "And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home."*

*(Luke 16:10-13 NKJV) "He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in what is another man's, who will give you what is your own? No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon."*

#### **✓ Security.**

*(Proverbs 11:28 NIV) Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will thrive like a green leaf*

*(Hebrews 13:5-6 NIV) Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, 'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.' So we say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?'*

#### **✓ Identity.**

*(Luke 12:15 NLT) "Beware! Don't be greedy for what you don't have. Real life is not measured by how much we own."*

*(Genesis 1:26 NIV) God said, "Let us make mankind in our image."*

#### **✓ Happiness.**

*(Ecclesiastes 5:10 NLT) Those who love money will never have enough. How absurd to think that wealth brings true happiness!*

*(Romans 4:7-8 NCV) "Happy are they whose sins are forgiven, whose wrongs are pardoned. Happy is the person whom the Lord does not consider guilty."*

## New Finances

### 1. Am I honoring God with the first?

*(Proverbs 3:9-10 NIV) Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.*

*(Deuteronomy 14:23 TLB) The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives.*

### 2. Am I stewarding the rest?

*(Luke 16:10-12 NIV) "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?"*

### 3. Am I focusing on faith?

*(2 Corinthians 9:7-8, 10 NLT) You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others... For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you.*

#### **Faith Declarations:**

- ✓ We tithe to honor God.
- ✓ We steward well to impact the world.
- ✓ We trust God to provide more than we need.