

*"Don't store up for yourselves treasure on earth where moths and rust destroy, where thieves break in and steal. Instead store up for yourselves treasures in heaven."* Matthew 6:19,20

*"A person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God."* Luke 12:21

*"Don't hoard your goods. Spread them around. Be a blessing to others. This could be your last night."* Ecclesiastes 11:2 (*The Message*)

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Part 2



## **What Not To Do With Your Money**

*"If you are untrustworthy about handling worldly wealth who will trust you with the true riches of heaven?"* Luke 16:11

### **Jesus talking to his disciples explaining what the seed that was sown among the thorns was about:**

The seed which fell among the thorns, these are the ones who have heard, and as they go on their way they are choked with worries and riches and pleasures of this life,...

Luke 8:14

### **Solomon's Warning:**

"The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is the slave of the lender."

Proverbs 22:7

### **An example from Proverbs about how to deal with debt:**

Deliver yourself like a gazelle from the hand of *the hunter*,

And like a bird from the hand of the fowler. Proverbs 6:5

One out of every six verses in the first three gospels – Matthew, Mark and Luke – is about money, and/or possessions.

If I were to take everything that Jesus said about money and summarize it in a sentence here it is:

**Money is a tool and a test.**

**Money is a tool to be used for \_\_\_\_\_ in your life.**

Luke 19

### How does money test us?

**It is a test of your \_\_\_\_\_.**

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### Four Things To Avoid With Money:

#### 1. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ money.

*"Whoever loves money will never have enough. And whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income."* Ecclesiastes 5:10

*"The love of money is the first step towards all kinds of sin. Some people have even turned away from God because of their love for it, and as a result they have pierced themselves with many sorrows."*

1 Timothy 6:10

*"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 nor forsake you.'"*

Hebrews 13:5

#### 2. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ money.

*"No one can serve two masters. You'll be devoted to one and despise the other. You can't serve both God and money."* Luke 16:13

*"Even wise people are fools if they let money change their thinking."*

Ecclesiastes 7:7

#### 3. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ money

*"Tell those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money which will soon be gone. Their trust should be in the living God who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment."* 1 Timothy 6:17

#### 4. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ money.

There is another serious problem I have seen under the sun. Hoarding riches harms the saver. 14 Money is put into risky investments that turn sour, and everything is lost. In the end, there is nothing left to pass on to one's children. 15 We all come to the end of our lives as naked and empty-handed as on the day we were born. We can't take our riches with us.

Ecclesiastes 5:13-15