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First Things First...

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Introduction

The heart of this book is to release the revelatory word of the Lord that you may prosper. First things first means simply that; there are things that you must do first in order to receive the promises in God's word. There is no substitute for adherence to Gods principles. When you adhere success is guaranteed. Whether it's in your spiritual, family, personal, professional, business or financial life, following his blueprint will lead you down the road to success. So, whenever you are starting new undertakings just remember to follow his principles first.

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1.) You reap what you have sown!

Galatians 6:7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

Many believers correlate this scripture with sin only. They don't seem to realize this is a principle. That which you sow you will reap. Therefore if you are always sowing into the mall or spending unwisely don't be surprised when you reap: **bills, bills, bills.**

2.) Mindset

Mark 3: 25 And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand.

In order for a vision to come to fruition, the individuals apart of the organization must be on one accord. Inconsistency with regards to thoughts and agendas result in confusion and discord with the church, organization and community.

3.) If you increase your measure your income will automatically go up!

Matthew 25:15 And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several **ability...**

Your measure as it relates to your finances is your ability to handle that which is given to you. Just as in this parable the servants were given a talent according to their ability to handle that which was given to them. Therefore, if you want increase, you must first increase your ability to handle that which has already been placed in your hands.

4.) Purpose

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.

Success defined according to its original connotation is living according to God's purpose for your life. An individual can be "**SUCCESSFUL**" according to the world's view, however if he is not living **ON PURPOSE** then he is truly missing the mark.

5.) A person without control over their spending is defenseless against poverty.

Proverbs 25:28 He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.

A master key to successfully stewarding your finances is having a workable budget in place. This will serve as your “**Control**”. It will give you the ability to direct your income instead of your income directing you. If you have a budget in place this will be your first defense against lack.

6.) Relationship

Isaiah 29:13 Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men.

Our relationship with God and others equip us to get the job done. In relationship, one has to be taught, trained and trusted to do the job correctly. In order to be taught, trained and trusted one needs a teacher. A teacher in the natural as well as “**The Teacher**” in the spirit.

7.) Honor God’s word by Giving

Psalms 119:105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Honoring God’s with our finances will cause increase to come into our house. One of the things scripture tells us to do is in Proverbs 3:9-10. {9} Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase {10} so shall thy barns be filled with, plenty and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. As we give unto the Lord, the Lord will honor us by releasing more. It’s a never ending circle of increase (as we sow increase into the kingdom, he sows increase into us), so long as we hearken to his commandment to give.

8.) Communication

Proverbs 18: 21 Death and life [are] in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

Whatever we speak will manifest, be it life or death. Our speech must be indicative of the lifestyle we desire for others and ourselves.

9.) Without instruction (budget) purposes (financial goals) fail

Proverbs 16:9 A man's heart deviseth his way: but the Lord directed his steps.

As we allow the Lord to govern our finances, not our emotions, we will find that our financial needs and goals are being met. Without a God centered budget our financial goals will fall short of where **we** want to be. Where he desires to take us, as we allow him to govern our finances will be exceedingly abundantly above what we can ask or think.

10.) Unity

Corinthians 12:12 For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.

Our goal as a body of people and a body of business is to have all joints and ligaments supplying even the uncomely parts. This is not an example of an organization, but is a portrayal of a **LIVING, BREATHING ORGANISM. There is no unity with U and I.**

11.) Be not conformed to this world (their system)

Romans 12:1 And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind...

The world's system is founded on debt, borrowing, and credit. As Kingdom citizens we have been provided with a more excellent way. Seedtime harvest is the way of the Kingdom not debt and borrowing **{Deuteronomy 28:1, 12}**. If we want to operate in kingdom blessings we have to walk in Kingdom principles.

12.) Creativity

Genesis (1:1,2) In the beginning God **created** the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

God is a **creator**; He made something out of nothing. God is also a **refiner**; He