

# Kingdom Economics

## Kingdom Strategy for Financial Prosperity

Matthew 6:33 (AMP)

But **FIRST and Most Importantly** ... seek (aim at, strive after) ... **HIS KINGDOM and HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS** ... [His way of doing and being right - - the attitude and character of God], ... and all these things will be given to you also.

### **KINGDOM MINDSET**

**What you Believe is What You will Receive**

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**Kingdom Mindset Verses**

John 21:1-6 (NLT)

1 Later, Jesus appeared again to the disciples beside the Sea of Galilee. This is how it happened. ... 2 Several of the disciples were there—Simon Peter, Thomas (nicknamed the Twin), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples. ... 3 Simon Peter said, “I’m going fishing.” “We’ll come, too,” they all said. So they went out in the boat, but they caught nothing all night. ... 4 At dawn Jesus was standing on the beach, but the disciples couldn’t see who he was. 5 He called out, “Fellows, have you caught any fish?” “No,” they replied. ... 6 Then he said, “Throw out your net on the right-hand side of the boat, and you’ll get some!” **So they did**, and they couldn’t haul in the net because there were so many fish in it.

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## Kingdom Economic Principle #1

God will Prosper you according to the level of YOUR Ability to Handle It

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## Kingdom Economic Principle #2

What You Tolerate - - You will Never Change

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## Kingdom Economic Principle #3

The System that has Enslaved You will never Empower You to Break Free from It

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## Kingdom Economic Principle # 4

Personal Savings - - Pay Yourself

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## Kingdom Economic Principle # 5

Write out a financial plan with your goals

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## Kingdom Economic Principle # 6

When you solve your own financial problems, you free up personal capital.

When you solve the someone else's financial problems, you create personal wealth.

If you are in financial turmoil, you must solve your own issues before you can help someone else ... God is a problem solver and has a unique solution for your particular situation.

1 Kings 17:8-16 (NLT) The Widow at Zarephath

8 Then the Lord said to Elijah, ... 9 "Go and live in the village of Zarephath, near the city of Sidon. ... I have instructed a widow there to feed you." ... 10 So he went to Zarephath. As he arrived at the gates of the village, he saw a widow gathering sticks, and he asked her, "Would you please bring me a little water in a cup?" ... 11 As she was going to get it, he called to her, "Bring me a bite of bread, too." ... 12 But she said, "I swear by the Lord your God that I don't have a single piece of bread in the house. And I have only a handful of flour left in the jar and a little cooking oil in the bottom of the jug. I was just gathering a few sticks to cook this last meal, and then my son and I will die." ... 13 But Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid! Go ahead and do just what you've said, but make a little bread for me first. Then use what's left to prepare a meal for yourself and your son. ... 14 For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: There will always be flour and olive oil left in your containers until the time when the Lord sends rain and the crops grow again!" ... 15 So she did as Elijah said, and she and Elijah and her family

continued to eat for many days. ... 16 There was always enough flour and olive oil left in the containers, just as the Lord had promised through Elijah.

Helping other can only occur when you are in a good position yourself

Mark 2:1-5 (NLT) Jesus Heals a Paralyzed Man

When Jesus returned to Capernaum several days later, the news spread quickly that he was back home. ... 2 Soon the house where he was staying was so packed with visitors that there was no more room, even outside the door. While he was preaching God's word to them, ... 3 four men arrived carrying a paralyzed man on a mat. ... 4 They couldn't bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, so they dug a hole through the roof above his head. Then they lowered the man on his mat, right down in front of Jesus. 5 Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralyzed man, "My child, your sins are forgiven."

Every problem usually has multiple solutions. ... In the natural we immediately default to what worked in the past ... When that past solution doesn't work we get stymied ... It throws us into a tailspin of confusion.

For every problem ... there's a promise ... that contains a principle ... that can lead to your provision. ... The issue is - are you willing to dig it out?

Proverbs 25:2 (AMPC)

It is the glory of God to conceal a thing, but the glory of kings is to search out a thing.

Every one of your financial problems has a solution...every one of them! ... When you take the time and the effort to solve your financial issues, you create money. ... Eliminating your debt creates more money. ... Better managing and making wiser decisions on what you spend your money on - - Implementing the R.O.I. principle does what? ... Creates even more money.

Principles that will help you solve your financial issues:

See insight and wisdom from the Holy Spirit and from His Word for creative ideas

Proverbs 21:5 (NLT)

Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty.

Write down all the possible options the Spirit has shared and you found in the Word and then consider the pros and cons of each option

2 Kings 7:1-11 (NLT)

Elisha replied, "Listen to this message from the Lord! This is what the Lord says: By this time tomorrow in the markets of Samaria, six quarts of choice flour will cost only one piece of silver, and twelve quarts of barley grain will cost only one piece of silver." ... 2 The officer assisting the king said to the man of God, "That couldn't happen even if the Lord opened the windows of heaven!" But Elisha replied, "You will see it happen with your own eyes, but you won't be able to eat any of it!" ... 3 Now there were four men with leprosy sitting at the entrance of the city gates. ... "Why should we sit here waiting to die?" ... they asked each other. ... 4 "We will starve if we stay here, but with the famine in the city, we will starve if we go back there. ... So we might as well go out and surrender to the Aramean army. ... If they let us live, so much the better. ... But if they kill us, we would have died anyway." ... 5 So at twilight they set out for the camp of the Arameans. ... But when they came to the edge of the camp, no one was there! ... 6 For the Lord had caused the Aramean army to hear the clatter of speeding chariots and the galloping of horses and the sounds of a great army approaching. "The king of Israel has hired the Hittites and Egyptians to attack us!" they cried to one another. ... 7 So they panicked and ran into the night, abandoning their tents, horses, donkeys, and everything else, as they fled for their lives. ... 8 When the men with leprosy arrived at the edge of the camp, they went into one tent after another, eating and drinking wine; and they carried off silver and gold and clothing and hid it. ... 9 Finally, they said to each other, "This is not right. This is a day of good news, and we aren't sharing it with anyone! If we wait until morning, some calamity will certainly fall upon us. Come on, let's go back and tell the people at the palace." ... 10 So they went back to the city and told the gatekeepers what had happened. "We went out to the Aramean camp," they said, "and no one was there! The horses and donkeys were tethered and the tents were all in order, but there wasn't a single person around!" ... 11 Then the gatekeepers shouted the news to the people in the palace.

Always discuss and consult your spouse or another trusted person if you are single for insight

Proverbs 11:14 (AMP)

Where there is no [wise, intelligent] guidance, the people fall [and go off course like a ship without a helm], ... But in the abundance of [wise and godly] counselors there is victory.

Update and tweak your options based on the input of your advisors

Proverbs 15:22 (AMP)

Without consultation and wise advice, plans are frustrated, ... But with many counselors they are established and succeed.

Prioritize your options based upon the wisdom you received

Proverbs 2:1-5 (MSG)

Good friend, take to heart what I'm telling you; collect my counsels and guard them with your life. Tune your ears to the world of Wisdom; set your heart on a life of Understanding. That's right—if you make Insight your priority, and won't take no for an answer, searching for it like a prospector panning for gold, like an adventurer on a treasure hunt, believe me, before you know it Fear-of-God will be yours; you'll have come upon the Knowledge of God.

Act upon the council - Just Do It

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (TLB)

If you wait for perfect conditions, you will never get anything done.

**Solving the Problems of Others creates Wealth**

Jacob and Joseph solved problems their employers had and by doing so they built personal wealth ... You need to go to your job with the mind of Christ and the guidance of the Holy Spirit with the attitude that you will solve your employer's problems ... Believers should never be a problem for their employer

Laban's problem ... Jacob wants to leave to start his own family

Genesis 30:25-30 (NLT)

25 Soon after Rachel had given birth to Joseph, **Jacob said to Laban, “Please release me so I can go home to my own country.** ... 26 Let me take my wives and children, for I have earned them by serving you, and let me be on my way. You certainly know how hard I have worked for you.” ... 27 “Please listen to me,” **Laban replied. “I have become wealthy, for the Lord has blessed me because of you.** ... 28 Tell me how much I owe you. Whatever it is, I’ll pay it.” ... 29 Jacob replied, “You know how hard I’ve worked for you, and how your flocks and herds have grown under my care. ... 30 You had little indeed before I came, but your wealth has increased enormously. The Lord has blessed you through everything I’ve done. But now, what about me? When can I start providing for my own family?”

### Jacob’s Prosperity

Genesis 30:31-43 (NLT)

31 “What wages do you want?” Laban asked again. **Jacob replied, “Don’t give me anything. Just do this one thing,** and I’ll continue to tend and watch over your flocks. ... 32 Let me inspect your flocks today and remove all the sheep and goats that are speckled or spotted, along with all the black sheep. Give these to me as my wages. ... 33 In the future, when you check on the animals you have given me as my wages, you’ll see that I have been honest. If you find in my flock any goats without speckles or spots, or any sheep that are not black, you will know that I have stolen them from you.” ... 34 “All right,” Laban replied. “It will be as you say.” ... 35 But that very day Laban went out and removed the male goats that were streaked and spotted, all the female goats that were speckled and spotted or had white patches, and all the black sheep. He placed them in the care of his own sons, ... 36 who took them a three-days’ journey from where Jacob was. Meanwhile, Jacob stayed and cared for the rest of Laban’s flock. ... 37 **Then Jacob took some fresh branches from poplar, almond, and plane trees and peeled off strips of bark, making white streaks on them.** ... 38 **Then he placed these peeled branches in the watering troughs where the flocks came to drink, for that was where they mated.** ... 39 **And when they mated in front of the white-streaked branches, they gave birth to young that were streaked, speckled, and spotted.** ... 40 Jacob separated those lambs from Laban’s flock. And at mating time he turned the flock to face Laban’s animals that were streaked or black. This is how he built his own flock instead of increasing Laban’s. ... 41 Whenever the

stronger females were ready to mate, Jacob would place the peeled branches in the watering troughs in front of them. Then they would mate in front of the branches. ... 42 But he didn't do this with the weaker ones, so the weaker lambs belonged to Laban, and the stronger ones were Jacob's. ... 43 As a result, Jacob became very wealthy, with large flocks of sheep and goats, female and male servants, and many camels and donkeys.

### Pharaoh's problem ... Needed a dream interrupted

#### Genesis 41:1-8 (NLT) Pharaoh's Dreams

Two full years later, Pharaoh dreamed that he was standing on the bank of the Nile River. ... 2 In his dream he saw seven fat, healthy cows come up out of the river and begin grazing in the marsh grass. ... 3 Then he saw seven more cows come up behind them from the Nile, but these were scrawny and thin. These cows stood beside the fat cows on the riverbank. ... 4 Then the scrawny, thin cows ate the seven healthy, fat cows! At this point in the dream, Pharaoh woke up. ... 5 But he fell asleep again and had a second dream. This time he saw seven heads of grain, plump and beautiful, growing on a single stalk. ... 6 Then seven more heads of grain appeared, but these were shriveled and withered by the east wind. ... 7 And these thin heads swallowed up the seven plump, well-formed heads! Then Pharaoh woke up again and realized it was a dream. ... 8 The next morning Pharaoh was very disturbed by the dreams. So he called for all the magicians and wise men of Egypt. When Pharaoh told them his dreams, not one of them could tell him what they meant.

### Joseph's prosperity

#### Gen 41:14-16 41:25-42

14 Pharaoh sent for Joseph at once, and he was quickly brought from the prison. After he shaved and changed his clothes, he went in and stood before Pharaoh. 15 Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I had a dream last night, and no one here can tell me what it means. But I have heard that when you hear about a dream you can interpret it." ... 16 "It is beyond my power to do this," Joseph replied. "But God can tell you what it means and set you at ease."

25 Joseph responded, “Both of Pharaoh’s dreams mean the same thing. **God is telling Pharaoh in advance what he is about to do.** ... 26 The seven healthy cows and the seven healthy heads of grain both represent seven years of prosperity. ... 27 The seven thin, scrawny cows that came up later and the seven thin heads of grain, withered by the east wind, represent seven years of famine. ... 28 “This will happen just as I have described it, for God has revealed to Pharaoh in advance what he is about to do. ... 29 The next seven years will be a period of great prosperity throughout the land of Egypt. ... 30 But afterward there will be seven years of famine so great that all the prosperity will be forgotten in Egypt. Famine will destroy the land. ... 31 This famine will be so severe that even the memory of the good years will be erased. ... 32 As for having two similar dreams, it means that these events have been decreed by God, and he will soon make them happen. ... 33 “Therefore, Pharaoh should find an intelligent and wise man and put him in charge of the entire land of Egypt. ... 34 Then Pharaoh should appoint supervisors over the land and let them collect one-fifth of all the crops during the seven good years. ... 35 Have them gather all the food produced in the good years that are just ahead and bring it to Pharaoh’s storehouses. Store it away, and guard it so there will be food in the cities. ... 36 That way there will be enough to eat when the seven years of famine come to the land of Egypt. Otherwise this famine will destroy the land. ... 37 Joseph’s suggestions were well received by Pharaoh and his officials. ... 38 So Pharaoh asked his officials, “Can we find anyone else like this man so obviously filled with the spirit of God?” ... 39 Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Since God has revealed the meaning of the dreams to you, clearly no one else is as intelligent or wise as you are. ... 40 You will be in charge of my court, and all my people will take orders from you. Only I, sitting on my throne, will have a rank higher than yours.” ... 41 Pharaoh said to Joseph, “I hereby put you in charge of the entire land of Egypt.” ... 42 Then Pharaoh removed his signet ring from his hand and placed it on Joseph’s finger. He dressed him in fine linen clothing and hung a gold chain around his neck.