

# What the Bible Teaches about Money

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1. **Everything on Earth Belongs to God.** Psalms 24:1-2, Job 41:11
2. **We came into this world with nothing and we will leave with nothing.**  
Job 1:6-22 *"Naked I came from my Mother's womb, and naked I will depart"*  
1 Tim 6:7 *"For we brought nothing into this world, and we can take nothing out of it"*
3. **God gives to Man all that he has.**  
Job 1:6-22 *"The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away"*  
Matt 6:25-34 God gives man what he needs.  
John 3:27 *"A man can receive only what is given him from heaven."*  
Matt 7:7 *"Ask and it will be given to you"*
4. **Because of man's sin, mankind was cursed by God to work, work, work.**  
Gen 3:17-19 *"through painful toil you will eat of it (ground)... by the sweat of your brow you will eat your food"*
5. **We are stewards or trustees of what God has given to us.**  
Luke 19:11-27 The Parable of the Ten Minas Christians are told to work with what we are given until the master returns.  
Matt 25:14-30 The Parable of the Talents
6. **Man should not value his life by his possessions nor feel secure in them.**  
Luke 12:13-21 The Parable of the Rich Fool *"a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."*
7. **The Love of Money is the root of evil**  
1 Tim 3:3 The deacon of the church should not be a lover of money.  
1 Tim 6:9-10 *"For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil."*  
2 Tim 3:1-5 In the last days, people will be lovers of money.  
Ezekiel 18:1-9 A sinful man is one who charges excessive interest.  
James 5:1-6 A sinful man is greedy.
8. **Men who trust in their wealth will not enter heaven**  
Mark 10:17-31 *"It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter....  
.....many who are first will be last and the last first."*  
1 Tim 6:17-19 The rich are to put their trust in God and not their money.
9. **Christians are to store treasures in heaven.**  
Matt 19:16-30 *"If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven."*  
Matt 6:19-24 *"You cannot serve both God and Money."*  
Proverbs 15:16 *"Better a little with the fear of the Lord than great wealth with turmoil."*
10. **Christians are to provide for their families.**  
1 Tim 5:8 *"If anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his immediate family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever."*  
1 Tim 5:4 *"put their religion into practice by caring for their own family and so repaying their parents and grand parents, for this is pleasing to God."*
11. **Christians are to do good to all people**  
Gal 6:10 *"...let us do good to all people..."*  
Matt 25: 34-46 *"...I was hungry and you gave me something to eat..."*  
1 John 3:16-18 *"... let us not love in words or tongue but with actions and in truth."*
12. **God's workers are to be provided for by God's people.**  
1 Cor 9:11-14 *" those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel."*  
Gal 6:6 *"Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good things with his instructor."*  
1 Cor 16:1 *"... on the first day of the week, set aside a sum of money..."*  
Acts 20:32-35 *"It is more blessed to give than to receive."*  
2 Cor 9:6-7 *"...for God loves a cheerful giver."*
13. **The tenth set apart for God**  
Gen 14:18-20 Abraham gave a tenth to the Melchizedek, king of Salem and priest of God most high.  
Lev 27:30-33 A tenth/tithe of everything belongs to God  
Num 18:20-24 The tithe was given to the Levites for their work.
14. **God will take care of your needs. We are to help those in need.**  
Heb 13:5-6 *"Never will I leave you, never will I forsake you."*  
Acts 11:28,29 Collection for brothers in need.  
Acts 2:42-47 *"... they gave to anyone as he had need."*