



The Right Ingredients

Making Relationships Work

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PART III: LET'S TALK ABOUT THAT TOPIC

Haggai 1:5-7 (NLT). *This is what the Lord of Heaven's Armies says: Look at what's happening to you! You have planted much but harvest little. You eat but are not satisfied. You drink but are still thirsty. You put on clothes but cannot keep warm. Your wages disappear as though you were putting them in pockets filled with holes! "This is what the Lord of Heaven's Armies says: Look at what's happening to you!"*

Billy Graham: *"If a person corrects his attitude toward money, it will help correct almost every other area of his life."*

REMEMBER: It is difficult to win in our marriage relationship, when we are not winning with money.

Luke 16:13 (NLT). *"No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and be enslaved to money."*

TALKING ABOUT MONEY AND RELATIONSHIPS, LET'S SIMPLIFY IT: SOMETIMES WE COMPLICATE IT...

1. [HONOR] GOD FIRST.

Deuteronomy 8:18 (NLT). *Remember the Lord your God. He is the one who gives you power to be successful... [to produce wealth]*

Proverbs 3:9-10 (NLT). *Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce. Then he will fill your barns with grain and your vats will overflow with good wine.*

2. [STEWARD] THE REST WELL.

1 Chronicles 29:12 (NLT). *Wealth and honor come from you alone, for you rule over everything. Power and might are in your hand, and at your discretion people are made great and given strength.*

Administrator: One who faithfully and responsibly manages the property of others.

GOD'S PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE IS FOR YOU TO HAVE FINANCIAL PEACE AND FOR THAT WE WILL HAVE TO HAVE A PLAN OF HOW:

- **WE SPEND PRUDENTLY.**

Proverbs 21:20 (NKJV). *There is desirable treasure, and oil in the dwelling of the wise, but a foolish man squanders it [spends it all].*

- **WE PAY DEBTS DILIGENTLY.**

Debt: Wanting more than God's current provision for our lives, and arranging another way to get it.

Dave Ramsey: *We buy things we don't need, with money we don't have, to impress people we don't like.*

- **WE SAVE IN A DISCIPLINED MANNER.**

Proverbs 27:12 (NLT). *A prudent person foresees danger and takes precautions. The simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences.*

Proverbs 6:6-8 (NLT). *Take a lesson from the ants, you lazybones. Learn from their ways and become wise! Though they have no prince or governor or ruler to make them work, they labor hard all summer, gathering food for the winter.*

J.P. Morgan: *"The first step to getting anywhere is deciding not to stay where you are."*



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