

3 Signs You Can't Handle the Loot

(How to win with money God's way)
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“ . . . From everyone who has been given much, **much will be demanded**; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.” (Luke 12:48 NIV)

Why do you need more...

If you're going to **hoard it**?

“Then he said, ‘Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. **Life is not measured by how much you own.**’ Then he told them a story: ‘A rich man had a fertile farm that produced fine crops.’” (Luke 12:15-16 NLT)

If you're going to **waste it**?

“The wise have wealth and luxury, but fools spend whatever they get.” (Prov 21:20 NLT)

If you're going to **consume it**?

“But godliness with contentment is great gain.” (1 Tim 6:6 NIV)

Money God's Way

You need **perspective**.

“The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is slave to the lender.” (Prov 22:7)

“The wise store up knowledge, but the mouth of a fool invites ruin.” (Prov 10:14 NIV)

You need **passion**.

“Do not let your heart envy sinners, but always be zealous for the fear of the LORD.” (Proverbs 23:17 NIV)

“Give to everyone what you owe them: Pay your taxes and government fees to those who collect them, and give respect and honor to those who are in authority. **Owe nothing to anyone—except for your obligation to love one another.** If you love your neighbor, you will fulfill the requirements of God's law.” (Romans 13:7-8 NLT)

You need **purpose**.

“And now, because of my devotion to the Temple of my God, I am giving all of my own private treasures of gold and silver to help in the construction. This is in addition to the building materials I have already collected for his holy Temple.” (1 Chron 29:3 NLT)

“Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first **sit down and estimate the cost** to see if you have enough money to complete it? For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you” (Luke 14:28-29 NIV)

You need **pain**.

“No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and **peace for those who have been trained by it.**” (Heb 12:11 NIV)

You need **plan**.

“The **plans of the diligent lead to profit** as surely as haste leads to poverty.” (Prov 21:5 NIV)

“The wise store up choice food and olive oil, but fools gulp theirs down.” (Prov 21:20 NIV)

“Good people leave an inheritance to their grandchildren, but the sinner's wealth passes to the godly.” (Prov 13:22 NLT)