

Five-Minute Finances – *Building Bigger Barns*



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Prayer

Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as you begin reading passages of Scripture. Ask for clarity and insight as you engage in God's word.



Scripture Reading- Exodus 18: 1-27

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴ But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵ And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." ¹⁶ And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷ and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' ¹⁸ And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" ²⁰ But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."



Observation

1. What do these verses say about...

The brother(s)?

The rich man?

God?

Saving?



Interpretation

2. What does it look like, in our world today, to be on guard against covetousness?



3. What would be a modern example of building bigger barns?



Application

4. What steps can you take to avoid the temptation of building bigger barns?



Continue your Journey...

Financial discipleship is more than getting on a budget, getting out of debt or having your financial house in order. Financial discipleship is about helping people follow Jesus, make disciples and glorify God in the area of money and possessions.

If you would like to continue growing on your financial discipleship journey, we'd encourage you to go to ContinueGrowing.org.

If you would like to help others on their financial discipleship journey, we'd encourage you to go to HelpOthersGrow.org.

Thanks for taking the time to go through this devotional! We pray the Lord would draw you ever closer to Him as you continue on your financial discipleship journey!