

# A NEW YEAR, A NEW YOU

## Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is

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*“If you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?” Luke 16:11 (NIV)*

### Why is this issue so important?

1. How we handle money \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Much of life revolves around \_\_\_\_\_.

## FIVE HABITS FOR FINANCIAL HEALTH AND FREEDOM

### I. EARN \_\_\_\_\_

The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_.

*“In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we appeal to people--no, we command them: Settle down and get to work. Earn your own living.”*  
2 Thessalonians 3:12 (NLT)

### II. PLAN \_\_\_\_\_

The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Riches can disappear fast... so watch your business interests closely. Know the state of your flocks and herds.” Proverbs 27:23-24 (LB)*

**STARTING POINT:** \_\_\_\_\_

### 4 Things you need to know:

1. What I \_\_\_\_\_.
2. What I \_\_\_\_\_.
3. What I \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Where \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Plan carefully and you will have plenty; if you act too quickly you will never have enough.”*  
Proverbs 21:5 (GN)

**III. SAVE** \_\_\_\_\_

The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_.

*“The wise man saves for the future...”* Proverbs 21:20a (LB)

*“Go study little ants. They store up food in the summer so when the winter comes they’ll be well taken care of.”* Proverbs 6:6

**IV. RETURN** \_\_\_\_\_

The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_.

*“‘Bring to My Storehouse a full tenth of what you earn... Test Me in this,’ says the Lord. ‘I will open the windows of heaven for you and pour out all the blessings you need’.”*  
Malachi 3:10 (NCV)

**V. ENJOY** \_\_\_\_\_

The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_.

*“It is better to be satisfied with what you have than to always be wanting something else.”*  
Ecclesiastes 6:9 (GN)

*“Be content with what you have...”* Hebrews 13:5 (NIV)

**What most people do:**

1. Earn it
2. \_\_\_\_\_ it.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ it.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ it.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ it.

**The order God blesses:**

1. Earn it
2. \_\_\_\_\_ it.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ it.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ it.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ it.

*“Why spend money on what does not satisfy?”* Isaiah 55:2 (NIV)