Reboot (Restore to Original Settings)

"Financially"

Money is the #1 rival God that not only blinds us to its power over us but also binds us from the financial freedom Christ died to give to us.

Proverbs 3:9-10 Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; 10 then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

The Power Money Has Over Us:

Proverbs 10:16 The wage of the righteous leads to life, the gain of the wicked to sin.

1) It Can Make or Break Community.

<u>Wicked Person</u> = disadvantages the community to advantage himself. They see their money belonging only to themselves.

<u>Righteous Person</u> = disadvantages himself for the advantage of the community. They see their money as belonging to themselves and the community. (Bruce K. Waltke -- OT & Hebrew Scholar)

Proverbs 11:4 Riches do not profit in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death.

- 2) It Can Make or Break Character.
 - It can make you Shallow.

Proverbs 30:8-9 Remove far from me falsehood and lying; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that is needful for me, ⁹ lest I be full and deny you and say, "Who is the LORD?" or lest I be poor and steal and profane the name of my God.

• It can make you Proud.

How To Break It's Power Over Us:

Proverbs 18:10-11 The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe. 11 A rich man's wealth is his strong city, and like a high wall in his imagination.

- 1) Money is the #1 rival God as either our <u>security</u> or our <u>significance</u>.
- 2) Even if money isn't your idol, it will <u>reveal</u> your <u>idols</u>. It will give you a false sense of security, an inflated identity by fulfilling your idolatries. Where do you effortlessly spend your money? Matt6:21

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3) On the day of wrath the only safe place is <u>The Name of the Lord</u>! Ps9:9-10; Jn3:16; Rom8:1

Proverbs 11:24 One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want.

4) Jesus was <u>scattered</u> so that we might be <u>gathered</u>. 2Cor8:9; 9:6-8

How To Know It's Power Is Broken Over Us:

Five Biblical Principles for Wise Financial Management You Will Diligently Practice The Principles of...

- ✓ <u>Planning</u> (budget 10/10/80) (Pro27:23-24)
- ✓ Accounting (record keeping) (Pro21:5)
- ✓ <u>True Wealth</u> (fear of the LORD) (Pro15:16-17)
- ✓ <u>Self-control</u> (stops impulsive/compulsive spending) (Pro25:28)
- ✓ <u>Generosity</u> (faithfully, sacrificially & joyfully) (Pro3:9-10)

GROWING NOTES

 What are your thoughts on the opening statement of this sermon? How does money exercise power over us? How would you define financial freedom (A Financial Reboot)?
Read Proverbs 3:9-10. What does it mean to Honor God with your wealth? How can the power of money make or break community (Pro10:16)? What is the difference between a wicked and righteous person? How can the power of money make or break your character (Pro11:4; 30:8-9)?

3) How is the power of money broken over us (Pro.18:10-11)? What is the day of wrath and what is the only safe place for this day? What does it mean that Jesus was scattered that we might be gathered (Pro11:24; 2Cor8:9)? How should this empower us to do the same (2Cor9:6-8)?

4) Review the Five Biblical Principles for Wise Financial Management. Which one(s) are your strengths and which one(s) are your growth areas? What has been the most helpful insight you have learned from this study? What are your next steps for a financial reboot? Pray that db is place where people find financial freedom through Christ.

