

LETTING GO OF YOUR FINANCIAL PAST

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You are on a Road to Destiny

Each of us is on a road to destiny, whether we have realized it yet or not. At some point we go through a major event that causes us to “wake up” and ask questions about our purpose in life and the pain we endure along the way. We encounter major events – perhaps the death of a loved one, the loss of a job, a major financial crisis or an illness. It is during these times of vulnerability that we cry out to God the most. Armed with the realization that we have a destiny, we consider what steps we should take in order to ensure that we will be successful during the remainder of our journey.

God wants you to become a “profitable steward”.

Becoming a profitable steward is one of God’s expectations of each of us. In Matthew 25, the parable of the talents explains how God differentiates between those who are profitable and those that are not: *“For to everyone who has [profit], more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have [profit], even what he has will be taken away.”*

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There are seven basic steps you should take now in order to create abundance in your life, and the first step is to let go of the past through God’s forgiveness. You won’t be ready in your spirit or your mind to move forward in life until you ask God for forgiveness for the mistakes you’ve made with your money in the past. What’s more, you must also forgive yourself for the things you’ve done that contributed to the situation you’re in today. The Bible instructs us not to remember these things -Luke 9:62 says *“...No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.”*

The mark of a great man or woman is not how many times you've found yourself in a financial crisis, but how many times you have *yielded to God* and *watched Him bring you through*. Psalm 34:19 promises that God will bring you through every one of your financial challenges: "Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all." You cannot change what you did or did not do yesterday – only what you do today. Let go of your financial past today. Release the burden to God and enable Him to sustain you: "cast your burden on the LORD, and He shall sustain you; He shall never permit the righteous to be moved." Psalm 55:22. Follow His principles and watch God write an exciting new chapter in your life:

"Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness *and* rivers in the desert." Isaiah 43:17