

*Fractured Finances*

Proverbs 21:2-7

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**1. What family finances \_\_\_\_\_**

(Proverbs 21:2-7, 20)

- a) A heart for \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 2-3)
- b) \_\_\_\_\_ (a budget) (vs. 5)
- c) \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 5)
- d) \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 5)
- e) \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 6)
- f) \_\_\_\_\_ (sound judgment) (vs. 3, 7)
- g) \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 20)

Your family finances will need character qualities that God desires and will \_\_\_\_\_ in you.

**2. What family finances \_\_\_\_\_ need**

(Proverbs 21:17, 20)

- a) The love of \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 17) (1 Timothy 6:7-10)
- b) The love of \_\_\_\_\_ and oil (vs. 17)
- c) The \_\_\_\_\_ consumption of what is precious (vs. 20)

Your family finances need to be free from your lust for pleasure and \_\_\_\_\_.

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**3. What is God trying to \_\_\_\_\_ me about money?**

- a) Don't \_\_\_\_\_ in riches (Proverbs 11:28)
- b) Desire \_\_\_\_\_ and understanding more than riches (Proverbs 16:16)
- c) Put your hope in \_\_\_\_\_ and not riches – “Be rich in good works” (1 Timothy 6:17-19)

Your family finances need to \_\_\_\_\_ to wisdom and God.

**INSIGHT FOR LIFE**

*I will include God in my productivity and finances because I recognize that they are directly connected to my \_\_\_\_\_, my closeness to God and God's blessing to me.*

*My Notes*

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**1. What family finances need**

(Proverbs 21:2-7, 20)

- a) A heart for righteousness (vs. 2-3)
- b) Planning (a budget) (vs. 5)
- c) Diligence (vs. 5)
- d) Patience (vs. 5)
- e) Truth (vs. 6)
- f) Justice (sound judgment) (vs. 3, 7)
- g) Savings (vs. 20)

Your family finances will need character qualities that God desires and will develop in you.

**2. What family finances don't need**

(Proverbs 21:17, 20)

- a) The love of pleasure (vs. 17) (1 Timothy 6:7-10)
- b) The love of wine and oil (vs. 17)
- c) The total consumption of what is precious (vs. 20)

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**3. What is God trying to teach me about money?**

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Your family finances need to yield to wisdom and God.

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