

## The Bible and Money

The Bible says, “Money is the root of all evil”. How then can we use our money in a way that is pleasing to God? The important thing to remember, as a Christian is that money and everything else that we have is God’s belongs to Him and we are just the caretakers of His belongings.

Money is mentioned more times in the Bible than one might think. From the story of the talents to the widow woman who gave all she had, money is a popular topic in the Scriptures. This has thought to be because money truly has ties to our spirituality and our faith. A person who can put all their faith and trust in God for their finances can truly show us all how to demonstrate true faith in Him. Our approach to money isn’t just important, but Randy Alcorn, author of *The Treasure Principle* says that it is “central to our spiritual lives”.

The concept of the treasure principle truly illustrates well what the Bible teaches us about money. The Treasure Principle is this: “You can’t take it with you, but you can send it on ahead.” The key to this treasure principle is that we must invest in something bigger than our earthly time, possessions and money and ourselves. We must invest in the lives of others and eternity. We must give our all to God’s kingdom. Yes, this includes us being faithful to give to God and to our churches through our tithes and offerings, but it includes so much more than that.

We must be conscience of the ways in which we use our monies. Do we use them wisely and in accordance with what God would have us to do with the money that we earn? Are we content with our wages or do we always want more? The Bible addresses these things. Wanting more and being greedy with what we have only says that we are worried more about early treasures than heavenly rewards.

Treasures in heaven are what *The Treasure Principle* encourages us to strive for in our daily lives. So, think about your money, your possessions and all those things that you treasure or value, making sure that your heart is truly in the right spot.