

## Scripture Passages for Financial Planning

Exodus 22:25-7 – If you lend money to my people who are poor among you, don't be a creditor and charge them interest. If you take a piece of clothing from someone as a security deposit, you should return it before the sun goes down. His clothing may well be his only blanket to cover himself. What else will that person have to sleep in? And if he cries out to me, I'll listen, because I'm compassionate.

Leviticus 25:35-36 – If one of your fellow Israelites faces financial difficulty and is in a shaky situation with you, you must assist them as you would an immigrant or foreign guest so that they can survive among you. Do not take interest from them, or any kind of profit from interest, but fear your God so that your fellow Israelite can survive among you.

Leviticus 25:37 – Do not lend a poor Israelite money with interest or lend food at a profit.

Deuteronomy 15:10 – No, give generously to needy persons. Don't resent giving to them because it is this very thing that will lead to the LORD your God's blessing you in all you do and work at.

Deuteronomy 15:11 – Poor persons will never disappear from the earth. That is why I'm giving you this command: you must open your hand generously to your fellow Israelites, to the needy among you, and to the poor who live with you in your land.

Deuteronomy 23:19-20 – Don't charge your fellow Israelites interest – whether on money, provisions or anything one might loan.

Deuteronomy 24:10-11 – When you make any type of loan to your neighbor, don't enter their house to receive the collateral. You must wait outside. The person to whom you are lending will bring the collateral to you out there. Moreover, if the person is poor, you are not allowed to sleep in their pawned coat. Instead, be certain to give the pawned coat back by sunset so they can sleep in their own coat. They will bless you, and you will be considered righteous before the LORD your God.

Deuteronomy 15:1-2 – Every seventh year you must cancel all debts. This is how the cancellation is to be handled: Creditors will forgive the loans of their fellow Israelites. They won't demand repayment from their neighbors or their relatives because the LORD'S year of debt cancellation has been announced.

Deuteronomy 15:7-8 – Now if there are some poor persons among you, say one of your fellow Israelites in one of your cities in the land that the LORD your God is giving you, don't be hard hearted or tight fisted toward your poor fellow Israelites. To the contrary! Open your hand wide to them. You must generously lend them whatever they need.

Psalms 37:21 – The wicked borrow and don't pay it back, but the righteous are generous and giving.

Psalms 112:5 – Those who lend generously are good people – as are those who conduct their affairs with justice.

Proverbs 10:2 – The treasure of the wicked won't profit them, but righteousness rescues people from death

Proverbs 10:3 – The LORD doesn't let the righteous starve, but he rejects the desires of the wicked.

Proverbs 10:4 – Laziness brings poverty; hard work makes one rich.

Proverbs 19:17 – Those who are gracious to the poor lend to the LORD, and the Lord will fully repay them.

Proverbs 22:3 – Prudent people see trouble and hide, while the simpleminded go right to it and get punished.

Proverbs 22:7 – The wealthy rule over the poor; a borrower is a slave to the lender.

Ecclesiastes 7:12 – Wisdom's protection is like the protection of money; the advantage of knowledge is that wisdom preserves the lives of its possessors.

Isaiah 52:3 – The LORD proclaims: You were sold for nothing, and you will be redeemed without money.

Matthew 6:19-20 – Stop collecting treasures for your own benefit on earth, where moth and rust eat them and where thieves break in and steal them. Instead, collect treasures for yourselves in heaven, where moth and rust don't eat them and where thieves don't break in and steal them. Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 25:14-30 – Parable of the Talents

Luke 6:27-31 – Someone in Need of Coat, Give them Coat as Well

Luke 6:34-35 – If you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, why should you be commended? Even sinners lend to sinners expecting to be paid back in full. Instead, love your enemies, do good, and lend expecting nothing in return. If you do, you will have a great reward. You will be acting the way children of the Most High act, for he is kind to ungrateful and wicked people.

Luke 12:13-34 – Parable of the Rich Fool

Luke 14:25-33 – Count the Cost

Romans 13:8 – Don't be in debt to anyone, except for the obligation to love each other. Whoever loves another person has fulfilled the Law.

Acts 4:32 – The community of believers was one in heart and mind. None of them would say, "This is mine!" about any of their possessions, but held everything in common.

I Timothy 6:6 – The love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. Some have wandered away from the faith and have impaled themselves with a lot of pain because they made money their goal.