

THE **BIG** IDEA

Trust God's plan to manage your finances.

Monday:

Commit to break the bands—break the bands of financial bondage in your life! It's so important that we not allow money to control us, and it starts when money takes ahold of our hearts. Make Matthew 6:21 your memory verse for the week. As you repeat it, ask God to make it a truth in your life. It's simple, but very powerful.

Tuesday:

So where's *your* bondage? Proverbs 22:7 reminds us that money has the power to make us slaves. It has many trappings, each as unique as it is mesmerizing. Take time to identify your own bondage? Is it electronics? Clothes? Cars? The need to have the newest and best of everything? Write out your bonds as you pray for release.

Wednesday:

God has a wonderful and divine plan for financial abundance, and yet so many people are trapped in debt and financial misery. Doesn't that make you mad?! I hope so, because the only way to really be freed from these bonds is to have that righteous anger that comes when God's plan isn't happening. Read Luke 11:13 and ask God for passion, for His holy discontent, and the power to make a change.

Thursday:

If we want true victory, we must come to terms with the reality that God is the owner and we are simply trustees. Take a look at 1 Corinthians 4:2; If we are to be trustees, we must be trustworthy. Are you? Have you been trustworthy with the things God has asked you to manage? What needs to change to make you a better trustee?

Friday:

The manager in our story was praised for his shrewdness—he know how to make money work to his advantage. What do you do now to make God's money work to His advantage? What else could you do?

Saturday:

What's your vision? Review JC Penney's quote. What's your goal? What are your reasonable financial dreams? Pray today as God continues to reveal His plan for your life.