

ALL THE MONEY WE NEED: BELIEVERS AND FINANCES
Part III: Using Our Money To Improve and Not Hurt Relationships

I. Introduction

- A. It is one thing to obtain all of the money we need. It is quite another thing to sustain good and fulfilling relationships with others once we get the money we need. Many a relationship has gone sour over struggles to control an inheritance or dealing with imbalances in income levels among people.
- B. Solomon understood what it was like to have moderate income, and what it was like to have a lot of it, and he offers divine insight on handling money and relationships TOGETHER well:

II. Using Our Money To Improve and Not Hurt Relationships

- A. Solomon, God's wisest human servant aside from Jesus Christ (1 Kings 3:5, 11-12) wrote Proverbs with his invaluable wisdom for our benefit, Proverbs 1:1-6.
- B. We can organize this input to see how we can relate income to good relationships as follows:
 - 1. The starting point of all skill in living, and for relating one's income to improving and not harming his relationships, is for that person to respect the Lord deeply, Prov. 1:7.
 - 2. Starting here, Solomon has additional suggestions that grow out of this respect for God (as follows):
 - a. To protect relationships in handling money, one must be wise in making business dealings:
 - b. To protect relationships in handling money, one must use his acquired wealth wisely:
 - c. To protect relationships in handling money, one must donate acquired wealth wisely as follows:

Lesson:

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