

The World's System vs. Heaven's Economy

The World's System of Finance	Heaven's Economy
The world prospers by hoarding	Supernatural prosperity is achieved through giving
Always put money first	Always keep God first
Cling tightly onto their money so they won't run out	Dollars are seeds which we should plant to be a blessing and so our Father can give us more seed to sow
Put selfish desires ahead of everything else	Put God first in every area of their life
Prioritizes other things ahead of God – money, success, possessions, and ego recognition	Seek first God's kingdom and He will add all the physical things we need
Places money and the things it can buy ahead of God.	Surrender our lives totally to Him - putting Him in complete charge of everything
An all-consuming desire for more and more money	As long as we seek the Lord, God will make us prosper (2 Chronicles 26:5)
Trust in riches and material assets and continually seek after more	Trust in God, delight in His Word, continually seek to give and be a blessing
Cling tightly to our money so that we won't run out	"Our" dollars are seeds which we should plant so that He can give us a harvest.
Study investment periodicals and other worldly sources to decide how to handle their money	Study God's laws of finance & stewardship which are found in the greatest instruction book that this world has ever known – the Holy Bible
The times that they "get" are the happiest times of their lives.	The times when we "give" are the greatest, most fulfilling times of our lives
The banking and investing done in the world's system will benefit us only during our lifetime here on this earth	God's laws of finance & stewardship will not only benefit us during this lifetime, but much more important, these transactions will also benefit all Christians for the endless years of eternity that we will spend together in heaven.
Every dollar that we spend on ourselves here on this earth perishes as we spend it	Every dollar that we give to God while we are here on this earth is deposited to our accounts in the bank of heaven – accounts which can be used while we are on this earth and accounts which also will be available to all Christians for eternity

Man's system of finance was created by man, with the limitations of human intellect.	God's laws of finance & stewardship are spiritual laws that reach beyond the realm of this physical world. They were given to us by the creator of the entire universe.
The way the world goes about trying to prosper is ungodly, and those who gain prosperity in an ungodly way bring grief upon themselves.	The Godly way to seek prosperity is to remember that God has given us the power to get wealth (Duet 8:18) and our role is to be stewards of what He has blessed us with.
The world's attitude toward finances is causing people to be totally stressed out. They need a pill to get through the day and another pill to get to sleep at night.	Instead of constantly worrying about our problems, God instructs us to focus on the precious promises of His Word and the great ability of the Holy Spirit living inside of us. The peace of God that passes all understanding will keep our hearts and minds
Become disillusioned and discouraged to get up every morning and go to work just to make the house payment, pay bills and buy food & clothing.	God's kind of prosperity results from faith. When you work so that you can have money to give, God takes care of you. We all have an important part to play as individual members of His Body
Focused on accumulating more and more money, and more and more toys	God's kind of prosperity comes when you shift your focus from getting and maintaining stuff, to living to give.
Motivation to build up savings out of fear is wrong, so that you can sit back and say to yourself, "eat, drink, and be merry, for I have goods laid up for many days ahead." (Luke 12:19)	It's ok to build up savings so that you always have resources to "abound to every good work." (2 Corinthians 9:8) and to leave an inheritance to your grandchildren. (Prov 13:22)
People in the world system chase after money and struggle to survive, trying to do it all on their own power, with their limited human intellect	Have a covenant with God, the creator of the heavens and the earth, who wishes above all things that we "prosper and have good success" (3 John 2)