

## MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS — 4 “THE BUCK STARTS HERE”

*Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise! It has no commander, no overseer or ruler, yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest.*  
Proverbs 6:6-8

### WHAT WILL WE SAVE FOR?

- **EMERGENCIES.**
- **PURCHASES.**
- **FUTURE.**

*In the house of the wise are stores of choice food and oil, but a foolish man devours all he has.* Proverbs 21:20

### PRIORITIZE YOUR DOLLARS

- **TITHE 10% TO GOD.**
- **MINIMAL LIVING EXPENSES.**
- **BUILD THE “OH NO” FUND.**
- **PAY OFF DEBT.**
- **BUILD WEALTH.**

### TWO WAYS TO MAKE MONEY

- **PEOPLE MAKING MONEY.**

*...If a man will not work, he shall not eat.* 2 Thessalonians 3:10

- **MONEY MAKING MONEY.**

*The man who had received the five talents went at once and put his money to work and gained five more.* Matthew 25:16

#### \$5 a day invested at 12% over time:

5 years	\$12,250
10 years	\$34,505
20 years	\$148,388
30 years	\$524,244
40 years	\$1,764,716
50 years	\$5,858,750

- **Money + Time + Consistency = Wealth.**

*...he who gathers money little by little makes it grow.* Proverbs 13:11

## BIBLICAL RULES OF INVESTING

1) **DON'T TRY TO GET RICH QUICK.**

*People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. 1 Timothy 6:9*

**At 7.2% interest, your money will double in 10 years.**

**At 10% interest, your money will double in 7.2 years.**

2) **DON'T PUT ALL YOUR EGGS IN ONE BASKET.**

*Give portions to seven, yes to eight, for you do not know what disaster may come upon the land. Ecclesiastes 11:2*

3) **DON'T INVEST IN THINGS YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND.**

*By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures. Proverbs 24:3-4*

### Life Group Questions

- 1) What is the next step for you in “prioritizing” your dollars?
- 2) Explain an experience you’ve had with a bad investment. (Be sure to learn from others’ mistakes.)
- 3) What is the most important thing God has shown you during “Mind Your Own Business?”