

Proper View of Money

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- I. Introduction. There are four evidences of spiritual reality, one of which is money.
- II. The chance to interpret the meaning of money incorrectly is a test. (James 1:12)
- III. The temptation to evaluate others by how much money they have is also a test.
- IV. The inclination to obtain wealth wrongfully is a divine test. (James 4:1-10; 5:1-6)
 - A. God resists the proud and gives more grace.
 - B. People need to maintain their proper place in their professional communities.
- V. The inclination to exclude God from financial planning is also a divine test. (James 4:13-14)

Application questions:

1. Which tests regarding money have you faced?

2. How can one be more active in getting God involved in finances? Explain.

3. How is the church guilty of showing favoritism to the rich at times? How can this be addressed?
