

**Berean Christian Church**  
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**Bible Study**

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**“Use It Or Lose It”**

**II Kings 4:1-7**

Matthew 25:28, 29 read, *“So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. 29) For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them.”* (NIV) These verses record the negative consequence for an individual who mismanaged his fiscal resources. The improper utilization of money has caused sorrow and suffering to people from all walks of life. Likewise, there are countless people who have experienced peace and joy because of being a good steward of their moolah. This lesson is designed to share various approaches one can take to make use of their money.

**Breakdown of II Kings 4:1-7**

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| 1. The <b>Situation</b> _____       | for the Family | <b>Verse 1</b>    |
| 2. The <b>Recommendations</b> _____ | to the Family  | <b>Verses 2-4</b> |
| 3. The <b>Application</b> _____     | by the Family  | <b>Verses 5-7</b> |

1. Your money can be used for **Financial** \_\_\_\_\_ **Management** \_\_\_\_\_ .  
**II Kings 4:7**  
*“When she told the man of God what had happened, he said to her, “Now sell the olive oil and pay your debts, and you and your sons can live on what is left over.”*  
(NLT)
  
2. Your money can be used for **Ecclesiastical** \_\_\_\_\_ **Advancement** \_\_\_\_\_ .  
**I Chronicles 29:6-8**  
*“Then the family leaders, the leaders of the tribes of Israel, the generals and captains of the army, and the king’s administrative officers all gave willingly. 7) For the construction of the Temple of God, they gave about 188 tons of gold, 10,000 gold coins, 375 tons of silver, 675 tons of bronze, and 3,750 tons of iron. 8) They also contributed numerous precious stones, which were deposited in the treasury of the house of the LORD under the care of Jehiel, a descendant of Gershon.”*

(NLT)

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3. Your money can be used for Personal Enjoyment .

**Esther 1:5-7**

*“When it was all over, the king gave a banquet for all the people, from the greatest to the least, who were in the fortress of Susa. It lasted for seven days and was held in the courtyard of the palace garden. 6) The courtyard was beautifully decorated with white cotton curtains and blue hangings, which were fastened with white linen cords and purple ribbons to silver rings embedded in marble pillars. Gold and silver couches stood on a mosaic pavement of porphyry, marble, mother-of-pearl, and other costly stones. 7) Drinks were served in gold goblets of many designs, and there was an abundance of royal wine, reflecting the king’s generosity.”*

(NLT)

4. Your money can be used for Eternal Investments .

**Matthew 6:19, 20**

*“Don’t store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. 20) Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal.”*

(NLT)

5. Your money can be used for Occupational Employment .

**Luke 19:11-13**

*“The crowd was listening to everything Jesus said. And because he was nearing Jerusalem, he told them a story to correct the impression that the Kingdom of God would begin right away. 12) He said, “A nobleman was called away to a distant empire to be crowned king and then return. 13) Before he left, he called together ten of his servants and divided among them ten pounds of silver, saying, ‘Invest this for me while I am gone.’”*

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