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Bible Study

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"Money's Coming Your Way" Genesis 30:43 (NLT)

I. Increase of Money

Listed below are people in the Bible and how they increased their finances.

1. <u>Solomon</u> increased his finances <u>Supernaturally</u>.

1 Kings 3:11-13

"So God replied, "Because you have asked for wisdom in governing my people with justice and have not asked for a long life or wealth or the death of your enemies – 12) I will give you what you asked for! I will give you a wise and understanding heart such as no one else has had or ever will have! 13) And I will also give you what you did not ask for—riches and fame! No other king in all the world will be compared to you for the rest of your life!" (NLT)

2. <u>Achan</u> increased his finances <u>Illegally</u>.

Joshua 7:20-21

"Achan replied, "It is true! I have sinned against the Lord, the God of Israel. 21) Among the plunder I saw a beautiful robe from Babylon, 200 silver coins, and a bar of gold weighing more than a pound. I wanted them so much that I took them. They are hidden in the ground beneath my tent, with the silver buried deeper than the rest." (NLT)

3. <u>Judas</u> increased his finances <u>Shrewdly</u> Matthew 26:14-15

"Then Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve disciples, went to the leading priests 15) and asked, "How much will you pay me to betray Jesus to you?" And they gave him thirty pieces of silver." (NLT)

4. <u>Prodigal Son</u> increased his finances <u>Legally</u>. Luke 15:11-12

"To illustrate the point further, Jesus told them this story: "A man had two sons. 12) The younger son told his father, 'I want my share of your estate now before you die.' So his father agreed to divide his wealth between his sons." (NLT)

5. <u>Barnabas</u> increased his finances <u>Professionally</u>

Acts 4:36-37

"One of the believers was named Joseph, a Levite born in Cyprus. The apostles called him Barnabas (which means "one who encourages"). 37) Joseph owned a field, sold it, brought the money, and gave it to the apostles." (NCV)

II. Insight on Money

Listed below are various ways people can improve their finances.

1. Money can come to you by way of **Donations**

Genesis 44:1

"When his brothers were ready to leave, Joseph gave these instructions to his palace manager: "Fill each of their sacks with as much grain as they can carry, and put each man's money back into his sack." (NLT)

2. Money can come to you by way of **Education**. **Exodus 12:35-36**

"And the people of Israel did as Moses had instructed; they asked the Egyptians for clothing and articles of silver and gold. 36) The Lord caused the Egyptians to look favorably on the Israelites, and they gave the Israelites whatever they asked for. So they stripped the Egyptians of their wealth!" (NLT)

3. Money can come to you by way of <u>Vocation</u>. **Proverbs 13:11**

"Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows over time." (NLT)

4. Money can come to you by way of <u>Administration</u>. Matthew 25:16

"The servant who received the five bags of silver began to invest the money and earned five more." (NLT)

Money can come to you by way of <u>Reparation</u>. Luke 19:8

"Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, "I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!" (NLT)

III. Interaction about Money

Please answer the questions below and be prepared to share your thoughts with others.

1. Which person that increased their finances in section one stands out for you? Please share why.

2. What has been the three biggest ways money has come to you?

3. How would God and others benefit if your finances dramatically improved very soon?

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