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Change: You Don't Have to Be Broke

Discuss the title of the message, what does the statement “You don’t have to be broke” mean to you?

Discuss the following statement: What have you been taught about the poor?

“The poor are lazy.”

“They abuse the system.”

“I won’t help them until they help themselves.”

Read the following scriptures and discuss what guidance they give in regard to our treatment of the poor and less fortunate:

20 Looking at his disciples, he said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

21 Blessed are you who hunger now,
for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

22 Blessed are you when people hate you,
when they exclude you and insult you
and reject your name as evil,
because of the Son of Man.

23 “Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

24 “But woe to you who are rich,

for you have already received your comfort.

25 Woe to you who are well fed now,

for you will go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,

for you will mourn and weep.

26 Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you,

for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets. [Luke 6:20-26](#)

What is the difference between Situational Poverty vs. Generational Poverty?

What do you think about the “Success Sequence”? What other items could be added? Example: Mentoring

Success Sequence:

High School Degree

Full-Time Job

Marriage (education) before children

Discuss the possible 7 Ways Out of Poverty. What other tips could be added?

Get Out of Bed

How long will you lie there, you sluggard?

When will you get up from your sleep?

10 A little sleep, a little slumber,

a little folding of the hands to rest—

11 and poverty will come on you like a thief

and scarcity like an armed man. [Proverbs 6:9-11](#)

Work Hard

The soul of the sluggard craves and gets nothing, while the soul of the diligent is richly supplied. [Proverbs 13:4](#)

Work Steady Over Time

Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears;

wealth from hard work grows over time. [Proverbs 13:11](#)

Avoid Drunkenness and Gluttony

Listen, my son, and be wise,
and set your heart on the right path:

20 Do not join those who drink too much wine

or gorge themselves on meat,

21 for drunkards and gluttons become poor,

and drowsiness clothes them in rags. [Proverbs 23:21](#)

Avoid Unnecessary Debt

The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.
[Proverbs 22:7](#)

Submit to Authority

Whoever disregards discipline comes to poverty and shame,
but whoever heeds correction is honored. [Proverbs 13:18](#)

Be Honest

Dishonest money dwindles away,
but whoever gathers money little by little makes it grow. [Proverbs 13:11](#)

What do you think of the following learning timeline? What additions or changes would you make?

20's Learning
30's Editing
40's Mastering
50's Harvesting
60's Guiding