

Fundamental Tools of Dominion

To **PLAN**, is a "fundamental tool of dominion" given to us in the Bible to be Financial Champions. Planning is so powerful, yet many people avoid it thus sabotaging their efforts to build finances, ministry and business.

Financial Champions know that true Biblical Prosperity will not fall from the sky; it must be planned for and possessed by obedience to God's wisdom. Planning is powerful because to PLAN is...

Reflecting God's Nature: "God is a Planner" Jesus is God's salvation PLAN. The heavens and Earth overflow with wonderfully, intricate details that declare the handiwork of The Master Planner.

Faith: "Planning is Faith, no planning is no faith." I know this is opposite of some "Charismania" beliefs but the Bible says in Proverbs 21:5, "The PLANS of the diligent lead surely to plenty, but of every one who is hasty to lack"

When one is believing God to possess the plenty, then one must take ALL the steps God directs (Plan), use ALL the tools He provides to manifest that promise in their lives.

Responsibility Embracing/Obstacle Remover: The enemy/devil is not the biggest foe to prosperity and financial victory. In our Financial Champions meetings in local Churches throughout the USA and overseas, many are elevating their finances by embracing this fact. Biblically, it is the individual's undisciplined flesh (James 4:3) and the unrenewed mind (Romans 12:2) that is the biggest obstacle. One must take responsibility for their finances and planning helps. Planning assists in bringing the wasteful habits and thoughts in line by providing focus, direction and disciple.

Builds Capacity: Planning maximizes the results of any endeavor. Unfortunately, people spend more time planning their vacation than their finances and it shows with "good vacation-just get by finances".

David said "my cup runneth over." Planning helps build a bigger cup for God's blessings. We determine the size of our cup by our capacity. God will meet us at our level of capacity. The problem is without implementing planning and other capacity building strategies, too many cups stay smaller than people need.

Biblical Step of Success: Jesus states emphatically in Luke 14, "Before you build or go to war, if you desire to be Victorious, Jesus says...you better P-L-A-N"

Think of the construction of a new building. Last month I mentioned goals: Goals would represent the architectural drawing – the vision of what we have a passion to build. Planning represents the blue prints – the detailed strategic lay out – the next vital step to bring that architectural vision into reality.

Planning need not be elaborate to be successful. It can be done quite simply and effectively but it must be done. Proverbs says "The diligent plans lead to plenty" Diligent=pay attention to the details. Also, notice it is plural-Plan.

In the Cycle of Finances and Accumulation there are 7 components. Make plans in each of the components and you will see Financial Champion results. In ministry and business, segment your endeavor into components and then PLAN. As we PLAN and walk out the Plan, God promises to direct our steps.

An old business adage I heard many times as an MBA, CPA and CFP was - "PLAN your work and work your PLAN. If you are failing to plan, you are planning to fail."

Faith is the "Substance of things hoped (goals/visions), the evidence (PLANS) of things not seen". Planning is the blueprint evidence that you are taking the steps of faith to make the unseen become your

reality. The PLAN is tangible faith evidence that you really believe you will get there because you are taking the proper steps.

You are planning to win. You are a winner, risk-taker, great builder for Jesus. Jesus said, to build successfully - PLAN. To defeat the enemy, PLAN. We were made by God for dominion in all areas of Life, Ministry and Business.

Planning is one of our God given tools of dominion. Take steps to implement it this month.