

**5. The love of money can be tied to \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Ecclesiastes 5: 10-12, 16-20 NLT**

<sup>10</sup> Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless to think that wealth brings true happiness! <sup>11</sup> The more you have, the more people come to help you spend it. So what good is wealth—except perhaps to watch it slip through your fingers!

<sup>12</sup> People who work hard sleep well, whether they eat little or much. But the rich seldom get a good night's sleep.

<sup>16</sup> And this, too, is a very serious problem. People leave this world no better off than when they came. All their hard work is for nothing—like working for the wind. <sup>17</sup> Throughout their lives, they live under a cloud—frustrated, discouraged, and angry.

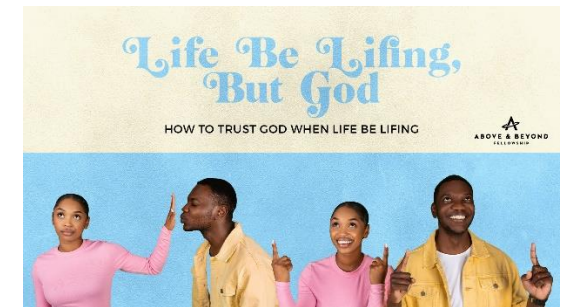
<sup>18</sup> Even so, I have noticed one thing, at least, that is good. It is good for people to eat, drink, and enjoy their work under the sun during the short life God has given them, and to accept their lot in life. <sup>19</sup> And it is a good thing to receive wealth from God and the good health to enjoy it. To enjoy

your work and accept your lot in life—this is indeed a gift from God. <sup>20</sup> God keeps such people so busy enjoying life that they take no time to brood over the past.

**6. Get \_\_\_\_\_ enjoying life!**

**Practical Tools For Money Management:**

- **Budget**
- **Decrease spending**
- **Set financial goals**
- **Avoid unnecessary debt**
- **Save early**
- **Invest early**



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# Common Cents: When Your Month Is Longer Than Your Money

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**Luke 12: 29-34 New Living  
Translation (NLT)**

<sup>29</sup> “And don’t be concerned about what to eat and what to drink. Don’t worry about such things. <sup>30</sup> These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers all over the world, but your Father already knows your needs. <sup>31</sup> Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and he will give you everything you need.

1. God will \_\_\_\_\_ your every need!
2. Never long for anything God \_\_\_\_\_ you from!

## 3. God has a plan to \_\_\_\_\_ us!

**Psalm 73: 2- 19 NLT**

<sup>2</sup> But as for me, I almost lost my footing. My feet were slipping, and I was almost gone. <sup>3</sup> For I envied the proud when I saw them prosper despite their wickedness. <sup>4</sup> They seem to live such painless lives; their bodies are so healthy and strong. <sup>5</sup> They don’t have troubles like other people; they’re not plagued with problems like everyone else. <sup>6</sup> They wear pride like a jeweled necklace and clothe themselves with cruelty. <sup>7</sup> These fat cats have everything their hearts could ever wish for! <sup>8</sup> They scoff and speak only evil; in their pride they seek to crush others. <sup>9</sup> They boast against the very heavens, and their words strut throughout the earth. <sup>10</sup> And so the people are dismayed and confused, drinking in all their words. <sup>11</sup> “What does God know?” they ask. “Does the Most High even know what’s happening?” <sup>12</sup> Look at these wicked people— enjoying a life of ease while their riches multiply. <sup>13</sup> Did I keep my heart pure for nothing? Did I keep myself innocent for no reason? <sup>14</sup> I get nothing but trouble all day long; every morning brings me pain. <sup>15</sup> If I had really spoken this way to others, I would have been a traitor to your people. <sup>16</sup> So I tried to understand why the wicked prosper. But

what a difficult task it is! <sup>17</sup> Then I went into your sanctuary, O God, and I finally understood the destiny of the wicked. <sup>18</sup> Truly, you put them on a slippery path and send them sliding over the cliff to destruction. <sup>19</sup> In an instant they are destroyed, completely swept away by terrors.

## 4. The wicked don’t \_\_\_\_\_!

**1 Timothy 6:10 NLT**

<sup>10</sup> For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.

**1 John 2:16 New International  
Version (NIV)**

<sup>16</sup> For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world.