



PREAMBLE

This write up is not meant for those that like to skim through scriptures but for those that dig deep into the Bible. For you to truly benefit from this discuss you must be ready and prepared to read, study and meditate on EVERY ONE of the scriptural verses contained therein. It is not for you to assume it but to read it yourself wherever they pop up. This write up is not a novel or just another good informational read but a digging deep kind of thing. If you do not generally like opening up scriptures to see what is written in it as listed this discuss will not benefit you maximally, please be advised. Acts 17:10-12.

INTRODUCTION

In our present day Christianity, you rarely find books that unveil the real truth concerning money. And because we are surrounded by prosperity preachers, who exalt money above all other things, ramming it into the head of men through all manner of teachings and expositions, men's minds and heart have been blinded to money's true nature and colour.

This write up is blunt and straight to the point without the usual rigmarole. It is not for those that have had their conscience seared already by prosperity preaching because they cannot understand what will be said herein, but it is for those that deep within them, somehow know that wherever money is there is an unclean spirit that seem to follow and operate there. There are a lot of hard things that will be exposed to you concerning money that will cause you to initially recoil because of the background that you might already have, but as you yield to the ministration of the Spirit of truth within you, your eyes of understanding will begin to open to these truths.

THE ORIGIN OF MONEY AND THE SPIRIT BEHIND MONEY

The word "money" was derived from Moneta. In Roman mythology, Moneta is a title given to the Roman goddess- Juno Moneta. She was the protectress of funds. As such money in ancient Rome was coined/minted in her temple for over four (4) centuries.

Money was made from that which God had created that was good. Which is? Precious stones like diamond, gold, silver, pearls, etc. (**Hag 2:8; Gen 2:11,12**). But money was derived from whom? **Ezek 28:13** "Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and the gold:". An apt analogy is that, Satan was made from that which God created that was good, Lucifer. Idols and gods of the land are usually formed from such materials for men to worship them- **Exo. 20:23; Ps 115:4**

Dan 5:23 But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath is, and whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified:

Money, though a corruptible thing (**I Pet 1:18**), cannot do either good or evil on its own. Though the spirit behind it is intended for evil, God can and does turn it around for good as He willeth when He puts it in the hands of His righteous ones. **Gen 50:20; Deu 23:5; Rom 8:28**.

LK 4:5-7 And the devil taking him up into an high mountain shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. **Vr 6-** And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee and the glory of them; for that is delivered unto me and to whomsoever I will I give it. **Vr 7-** If thou, therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine.

II Cor 4:4- In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not;

Jn 14:30 For the prince of this world cometh and hath nothing in me.

Anything that cometh from beneath (i.e. from the world) has death embedded in it (money is called "bread" by men-**Mtt 4:4**) but the true bread from heaven giveth life unto the world (**Jam 1:17**); Money is the bread from beneath that a man will eat and die, while Wisdom is the bread from above which a man shall eat and not die, but live eternally- **Jn 6:33,41,32,49,50; Prov 28:21**

Money was not there from the beginning of the foundation of the world rather it was introduced far later on as part of the instruments meant to perpetuate corruption amongst men in this corrupt world. Money was put in place, ostensible for the purpose of trade, buying and selling; to enable exchange of earthly goods and services; but it is just the physical equivalent of the devilish unseen medium for merchandising, buying and selling, trafficking of souls of men that is going on in the kingdom of darkness by principalities, powers and rulers of darkness of this world. The great whore that sitteth upon many waters superintends over its operations in all the nations of the world. **Rev 17:1,2,15,17; Rev 18:11-19; Ezek 28:16,18**



Wherever you see buying and selling as facilitated by exchange of money, thieves will be found therein because that is the medium through which the Thief himself operates. **Mk 11:15-18**

Money was formed from under the waters, in the palaces underneath the seas, by the inhabitants thereof and introduced to men on the earth. For it is from the seas that dead things come. **Job 26:5; Nah 2:6; Mtt 17:27; Mk 5:12,13; Ezek 28:2**

Money was made by the enemy in order to counter and thwart the divine decreed dominance of Man over all things that God had created. **Gen 1:28**. Man was to be master over all that God had created, but today the enemy uses that which he has made, Money, to dominate and be a master over Man- this is an error. The enemy had made money, alias mammon, as the alternative to God here on earth for men to choose to worship instead. **Lk 4:7; 16:13**

Money is tied to this world and therefore a carnal thing. And carnal things are subject to corruption. Money shall eventually decay, wax old and vanish away.

Money always has a way of causing those that have it to be proud because of the spirit behind it- the pride of life. **Prov 16:5; I Tim 6:17; I Jn 2:16**

Money is the external symbol of the god of this world. Like many already know, there is an unclean, stinking spirit smell behind money; that is why those that amass it are said to be "stinkingly rich". Even with the stinking smell many still love it anyways and crave to have it. While people that handle and count the money in banks cover their noses because of the smell, others prefer to live with the smell like that, so far as they have the money with them. The more you accumulate this smelling thing, the more rogues will come after or surround you.

The scripture says

I Tim 6:10 For the love of money is the root of all evil:

The root of a thing is the foundation of that thing. Money is founded on evil. **The love of a corrupt thing is the root of all evil.** The love of a good thing cannot be the root of evil, but that of good. The love of God is the root all good. So you either love God or you love Money and there is no in-between such as like, lukewarm, maybe, etc such is not found in heaven's dictionary rather you either love or you hate; are cold or hot; yea or nay, etc.. Then Christ told us as much in:

Mtt 7:17 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. **Vr 18** A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

Rom 11:16 For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches" (and vice versa)

SOME THINGS CONCERNING MONEY

Money is a corruptible tool/medium used/given by the one that is the epitome of corruption personified- Satan. Wisdom is an incorruptible tool/medium used/given by the Word of God, the incorruptible seed, Jesus Christ. **I Pet 1:23**

Wherever strife, wickedness, confusion, division, all manner of evil is to be sown, all you need to do is to introduce the money element there but if you introduce wisdom factor then love, peace, unity, etc will flourish instead.

Money is a divider while wisdom is a bridge builder over any divide.

Wherever you find money as an attraction, you will find corruption, theft, lies, death, all manner of evil and everything identifiable with the Devil at work in such a place.

The root of corruption in this world is traceable to money. Where there is no money to be made you would most likely not find corruption there, but where money is to be made corruption would thrive there.

Money is a magnet that attracts corruption, thieves, evil, worldly glory, power, vain worship, etc. Vanity upon vanity is also perpetuated by the workings of money.

Satan uses money to identify those that have evil roots or tendencies in them which might not be obvious to the undiscerning eyes of men on the surface. **Mtt 26: 14-16**; even as God uses it to test and prove those that truly love Him from the heart. **Mk 10:21-23**

Money is not welcomed nor is it allowed neither is it found in the Kingdom of heaven rather its home is in the Kingdom of this world. Why? Because it is an abominable, corruptible thing. **Rev 21:8; I Jn 2:15**

Wealth, riches, money is not a requirement for anyone to access heaven rather it constitutes a hindrance to entering there as it were- **Lk 16:22,23; Mtt 19:23,24**. Something that does not give life but death, why do you spend your whole time killing yourself in pursuit of it? Is life itself not worth more than these? **Eccl 7:12; Mtt 6:25**

Money is the God of the belly- **Phil 3:19**. That is why men are laboring for it and pursuing it with all their strength for their belly's sake. **Jn 6:27**

A son of perdition is known by his love for money. **Jn 17:12; Jn 12:1-8**

The invisible, unseen corruptible seed, Satan entered Judas Iscariot (**Jn 13:27**). How? It was through the physical, seen corruptible seed, money, that he used as a bait to get him to betray our Lord.- **Mtt 26:14-16** Till today, men in the world, betray each other very easily for money sake.

The children of the world boast always that everybody has a price tag and it depends on finding out how much exactly such a person will be offered before he bites. Simeon the sorcerer tried it with Peter- **Acts 8:18-21**

Eccl 10:19 says that money answereth all things (i.e. carnal things as it were) but in the day of wrath riches cannot profit but shall fail and those days are fast approaching. So take heed, brethren. **Prov 11:4; Mk 8:36,37**.

WHAT DID CHRIST HAVE TO SAY ABOUT MONEY?

Money is at the root of the unrighteousness/iniquity/injustice/oppression of this world and therefore is not a making of God but that of the god of this adulterous and sinful world. That is why it is identified repeatedly by Christ as “the mammon of unrighteousness”; “unrighteous mammon” - **Lk 16:9,11**; which sets itself up in such a manner as to compete with God in the lives of men.

Many are made to believe that with money they can do without God in this world, especially in developed countries. And that is why they have sacrificed their love for God at the altar of their love for money.

Christ, clearly, made us to understand that “mammon” is “the another man's property” (Satan) and not that of God- **Lk 16:12; 20:24,25**. That which is of God is the true riches, of which He gives portions to those that have proven themselves faithful in handling money (unrighteous mammon) and not to those overwhelmed by it nor have become servants to it here on earth.

Lk 16:11,12; Lk 19:11-27

Mk 12:15 showed that Christ was not used to dealing with money in his days nor in handling it, to the extent that he needed them to show him a penny in order to determine whose image was on it. **Vr. 16** Whose is this image and superscription? **Vr. 17** Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's (which is money) and to God the things that are God's (already telling you that money is not God's own thing) Why? Because money is a medium that carries graven images, likeness of things on earth, marks, numbers of men, etc. **Rev. 13:17**

Exo 20:3 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. **Vr 5** Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them; (for such things set themselves up as “gods”)

Lk 16:13 No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. **Vr. 15** for that (money) which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

Christ accorded money the status of a master that rivals God in the lives of men, because of the spirit behind it. And which every one of us would have to decide which to love and which to hate- I present before you life and death, blessing and curses, “wisdom and money”, choose ye this day whom thou will serve; **Deu 30:19**

Christ distanced himself from handling money and that is why such duty was grabbed by the one that he called a devil, Judas Iscariot, who was a thief. **Jn 6:70; 12:4-6**. But when he wanted Peter to get money, he sent him to the sea to get money. **Mtt 17:27** Why? Because dead things are formed under the sea.

Job 26:5 Dead things are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof.

Nah 2:6 The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved.

Money is the contraption of the god of this world for his children in this world, by which they exercise hold over the strangers and pilgrims (the saints) in this world and entice them therewith. **Jn 17:15-18**. That is why as strangers in this world, we use money to settle the landlords of this world for their things that we utilize and

their place that we occupy, until our Master returns with the godly kingdom he had promised and gotten for us. We are not meant to be entangled with it in such a manner that untangling ourselves becomes a difficult, near impossible thing. That is what money does to those that pursue it. **Lk 19:11-27; I Cor 7:29-31; Gal 5:1; II Tim 2:4**

All those that place their trust in the uncertain riches of this world, cannot be said to trust in God. For where your treasure is that is where your heart will be also. **I Tim 6:17; Lk 12:34**

Money is the treasure that is laid upon the earth that moth and rust doth corrupt, and thieves break through to steal it always; **Mtt 6:19,20; Jam 5:3**

Friendship with the unrighteous mammon of this world will always cause you to fail and to go to the everlasting habitations called the lake of fire- **Lk 16:9; Mtt 27:3-5**

Mtt 21:12 And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves.

Vr 13 And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.

Mk 10:23 How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

Vr 24 Children, how hard it is for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!

Vr 25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

Lk 6:24 But woe unto you that are rich! For ye have received your consolation.

Lk 16:13 No servant can serve two masters:Ye cannot serve God and mammon

Money is highly exalted amongst men but it is an abomination in the sight of God, in that wise. **Lk 16:15; Mk 12:41-44**

MONEY IS A SNARE

The primary reason why money was made is to drown men in corruption, destruction and perdition through the spirit of buying and selling. Today, the enemy is making it paperless, biometric as a subtle means of introducing the mark and number of the beast; this is being pushed through by the monetary institutions of nations. **Rev. 13:16,17**

Money is the means/medium by which Satan gets men to lose their souls and worship him in exchange for being given access into the glory of this world. It is a diversionary tool, that the enemy uses to keep men earthly minded rather than them focusing on heaven and heavenly things. **Lk 4:5-7; 12:34; 16:15.**

The main objective of money is to get you to love it, to be unable to do without it, and thereby end up worshipping the Devil in the process, directly or indirectly. Whatever a man cannot do without in this world automatically becomes his “god” whether he knows it or not.

Money is of the world, but ye are not of the world though you are in the world, therefore deal with it wisely. **Jn 17:16; I Jn 2:16** How? **I Cor. 7:30,31**

Money came in order to steal, kill and destroy but wisdom came to give life. **Jn 10:10; Eccl 7:12**

Money has a way of blinding the eyes of the rich and causing their ears to become deaf to the pleas of others that do not have it (that is why the rich oppress the poor). **Jam 2:6; Jam 5:1-6**

Money has an addictive element in it. Those that pursue it get addicted to it whenever they catch up with it, and start using it, just like drugs. It is also the medium that facilitates trafficking. For many, just as the carrot is dangled before the horse pulling the cart with him having the ever illusive hope of being able to catch and eat it, so are many strung along in the world with the hope that they would hammer at the next attempt but never able to till they end up in the grave where those that hammered ended up also in vain. **Eccl 5:10**

Money is a useful tool used in the art of temptation by the Devil- **Jude 11; Mtt 26:14,15**

Any seeming good thing of this world that is a pathway (or that leads you) to hell is a wolf in sheep clothing. Riches based on the love of money is one of them. It is a good thing in the sight of men but not that of God- **Lk 16:25**

Any miracle that is gotten by reason of exchange of money before or after it is done is most likely from the god of money, it is devilish and fake.

Anyone that is so immersed in the pursuit of riches (buying and selling) while he is said to be occupying before the Master comes, shall be like the five foolish virgins that went in pursuit of buying oil for their lamp from those that sell. Such shall miss the heavenly marriage train as a result thereof. Therefore, be mindful not to be so immersed or involved in the business and politics of the world. **Mtt 25:8-13; 24:38-39**

ARE WE TO HATE MONEY?

Eccl 5:10 He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance with increase.

There is no money in heaven nor do you have need for it there. Why? Because there is no buying and selling or merchandising of goods and services over there. It is not the amount of gold, silver or precious stone, you have that will determine how rich you will be in heaven but the number of souls that can come to the knowledge of the kingdom and Christ through you, while you are yet on earth; for the streets of heaven is already paved with gold, as we are told. All things are available and in abundance for you to freely enjoy there.

The scripture tells us to love wisdom and not money. Why? Money is the medium of exchange and the principal thing in this world, while Wisdom is the medium of exchange and the principal thing in the KOH – **Prov 4:7 ;**

Christ, the Wisdom of the Kingdom of heaven (KOH), was betrayed here on earth by the Money of the Kingdom of this world (KOW); The Principal thing of the KOH(the Wisdom of God) was traded by Judas Iscariot for the principal thing of the KOW (Money)

For those that love money, to get wealth in this world, they will have to operate by the wisdom of this world and be ever ready to sacrifice righteousness at various turns in life. **Prov 28:20,22** But for those that do not love money, but wisdom, money shall pursue them instead. **Eccl 2:26; II Chron 1:11,12**

Money is a cursed thing, it is an evil tree, even as it is a product of the cursed earth; but in the hands of the blessed of the LORD, it becomes a blessing. This always comes after you have accepted and received the Wisdom of God by which you begin to operate it (giving your offering, giving for the gospel work, to help the needy, etc), if not money would still be a snare unto you. **Lk 12:16-21** You are meant to be rich towards God and not away from Him.

Money is an accursed thing when it is in the hands of them that are under THE curse, but it becomes a blessed thing when it is in the hands of the redeemed of the Lord, as a means of blessing others with it and being rich toward God, not for hoarding and storing up for yourself. It is a blessing to those who are ever ready to let it go, not to those that hold unto it as if their life depended on it. **Mtt 19:20-29** Are you ready to let go of that earthly riches you have, in order to inherit the true riches that Christ gives to all those that follow him till the end? **Lk 5:5-11**

Money was made to be a tool/means for control, dominance and manipulation of men in this world by the enemy.

Money is one of the things that are intended for evil against us (believe it or not), but the Lord turns it around for our good because we love Him and are using it according to His purpose. **Rom 8:28; Deu 23:5**

I Tim 6:10 For the love of money is the root of all evil; (if you are not to love money that means you are to hate it as it were)

The “Love of money” is the root of all evil, and we know that the “the root of all evil” in this world from the beginning is Satan— **Jn 8:44**. That means that the “love of money is Satanic” - the Pharisee were covetous because their father was the devil- **Lk 16:14; Jn 8:41,44**

Lk 16:13 No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

Christ told us outright, that we have to make a choice either to “love God and hate money” or “love money and hate God”. There is no in-between with God- you are either cold or hot, good or evil, you love or hate (no like). That it is not possible to love the two together, although men are trying so much to disprove Christ on this by the prosperity theory.

Likewise, the scripture tells us in

I Jn 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world (money inclusive). If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Lk 14:26 If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

The question is what does Christ mean by “hate” in this context? because many do not have the true understanding about what God means to “hate”, they in their own worldly wisdom try to use other scriptures like **Ps 89:11**; **Ps 24:1**- “The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof; the world and they that dwell therein”; **Eccl 10:19** “but money answereth all things” to counter Christ's sayings where money is concerned and I wonder what they would use to explain “hate” as found in **Lk 14:26** above.

What does God mean when He asks us to “hate” something that has to do with this world?

Qn: How do you determine what people love? It is by those things they believe or think that they cannot do without.

Anything that one cannot do without in this world, you compulsively love, but anything that you can do without, you can be able to “hate” as need be. Naturally, you will find it hard to hate what you believe you cannot do without, for that is what you love.

Any carnal thing a man cannot do without in this world is a “god” unto him, and a master over him.

Those that love money are those that think/believe that they cannot do without money; but those that believe that they can do without it will be like Paul in- **Phil 4:11-13**; **I Cor 7:29-31**. It is only God that you cannot do without. Why? **Dan. 5:23** “the God in whose hand thy breath is”

The scripture tells us that we can buy godly things without money- **Isa 55:1-3**; you are redeemed without money- **Isa 52:2,3**; **Ps 49:6-8**; **Prov 6:34-35**; **Hos 13:14**; **I Pet 3:18**. It is those that are of the kingdom of heaven that operate in such a manner.

Everyone that is covetous at heart and whose affections are set on things beneath, cannot ever come into the understanding of what it means to hate money or why. The understanding is given to only those whose affections are set on things above and who live/walk by the Spirit; to such shall the Spirit of truth teach and reveal these mysteries.

WHO ARE YOU WORKING FOR IN THIS WORLD?

Jn 6:27 Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you:

Vr 29 This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.

Lk 14:27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.

Jn 12:26 If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be:

Everyone that is yet working for money is working for his belly and therefore is a servant to money, whether he knows it or not. It is only those that are able to get money to work for them, after having received the incorruptible seed in them that eventually have mastery over money. Money works only for those who work for

God, who walk after the Spirit and not after the flesh. And it is through the workings of godly wisdom that this can be possible, otherwise you are working for money.

If you hate money, you will have to make it your servant, but so long as money is your master, whether you like it or not, you will love it (or hate to love it at best), that is bondage at work.

Love wisdom and hate money so that you can enter into life; but if you love money and hate wisdom you will surely die. You cannot love both of them; if you think you can and try, you deceive yourself, and will end up in hell, if care is not taken. **Prov 8:35,36**

If you hate money, you must love wisdom in order for you to survive and overcome in this world; but if you hate wisdom and also hate money, the Devil will torment and make you useless at the end.

The only way that you can make money your slave/servant in this world is by entering into divine understanding, thereby acquiring the Wisdom of God. As long as you are ignorant and remain ignorant of the wisdom of God, in this world, money will always be your master and rule over you. **Rom 6:16**

Until a man is able to gain mastery over money, he will remain a slave to money all the days of his life. It is through wisdom that you gain mastery over money.

By the wisdom of God, you have mastery over money and it will begin to follow you, instead of you pursuing it as a servant. **Prov 16:7; Mtt 6:33**

Eccl 2:26 For God giveth to a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy; but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that is good before God.

Qn: Why is it that by wisdom, money shall begin to follow you? Because it is God that giveth wisdom and money answereth to wisdom. Also because money is of the earth and the earth was founded by wisdom; so money has no option than to bow in the presence of wisdom. **Prov 3:19; Prov 2:6**

Money in the hand of the wise is a servant under him, but money in the hand of a fool or unlearned is a master over him. Every servant does the will of his master.

The way you can avoid working for money as your master in any work or job that your hands have found to do, is if you do the job as unto the Lord, diligently and faithfully; **Lk 16:11,12**; and not as unto men or the wages that you are to be paid. Put in your best not because of the money that you are being paid but because of Christ in you. **Lk 17:10; Phil 2:14,15,13.**

In your job, look unto Jesus as your ultimate provider, even as you give your employer the hard work he deserves from you. It does not matter whether he remunerates you commensurate to the many hours that you put into the work or not. Be rest assured that, it is not him that provides for you but the Lord according to his glorious riches by Christ Jesus. **Phil 4:19; Heb 12:2**

Today, there are children of this world, who have gotten money to work for them but yet they are not masters of money. Why? Because the corruptible seed is still in them and therefore, they love money; and everyone that loves money is yet a servant to money; for such cannot do without it.

Judas Iscariot, being of this world, had a devil and therefore he did the bidding of the god of this world that he was working for, by selling the wisdom of God in order to acquire the money of this world.

They that seek to gain the whole world (bask in its glory, fame, power), do so through the pursuit of money but they invariably end up losing their souls. **Mk 8:36**

Money/riches/wealth is the pathway to acquiring glory, fame, and power in this world and Satan offers it to as many that would bow to him through it.

Lk 4:5-7 Wisdom/grace/truth is the pathway to entering the glory and power of the kingdom of heaven.

Money is insatiable and is like a bottomless pit, same as the abode of Satan, those that love and pursue it never seem to have enough of it, and no matter how much of it you acquire, you shall always crave for more. Many that take that path will end up in the same dwelling with Satan; because just as hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied. **Prov 27:20**. Money is elusive and is as a mirage- the more you look through its eyes, the less you see.

Prov 23:4 Labour not to be rich; cease from thine own wisdom

Vr 5 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? For riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.

Many accumulate money for themselves and their immediate family and they say it is a blessing from God, but money that is not shared or used to bless others and God, in one form or the other, turns out to be a curse rather than a blessing. **I Tim 6:17,18; Lk 12:16-21**

MONEY AND THE CHURCH AS AN ORGANISATION

The Church as an organization declares that the gospel that they propagate cannot be preached effectively without money. This is "the another gospel" that they preach and therefore, they are more interested in the welfare and increase of the pockets/purses of men rather than in the wellbeing of their souls. So their messages lean more on tithes, giving, prosperity and the likes rather than on the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy and faith being yet under the law themselves. They pave a broad way with a wide gate for all to come in and be retained in their ranks. **Mtt 23:23** This was what Judas Iscariot wanted to propagate but Christ arrested such postulation in **Jn 12:2-8**. A lot of our churches as organization are operating the Judas Iscariot's ministry and that of Gehazi too; it is a leprous ministry as it were. **II Kings 5:20-27** How? They say they care for the needy and shall use funds gotten for the poor, but in reality they are enriching themselves and their families therein. **Mtt 21:12,13; Rev. 18:12,13**

In the early days, when money was not an attraction in the Church, pastors were held in high esteem as men of integrity, though they were ridiculed as being as poor as "church rats". Many were not interested in establishing churches or in entering gospel ministry work then. Why? They saw such, ignorantly, as a pathway to lack and

poverty. But since the money acquiring element had been introduced and given prominence, and central focus, churches have become a money-spinning business, all manner of evils are being perpetuated therein since. Pastors have become con men and unscrupulous business moguls as it were, merchandising the souls of men to line their pockets. Establishing churches and ministries have become a get-rich-quick means for many today. It has been turned into a business that leverages on “other people's money” (OPM), easy interest free funds for running other business concerns. **Mk 11:15-18; I Tim 6:3-5**. The house of prayer has been turned into a den for thieves in fulfillment of scriptures. **Mtt. 21:12,13**

It is highly recommended for you to get the literature “The Church as an organization” (CAO) by the same author for further understanding on this heading, but see below some extracts from it:

[“The church and the world both have the same slogan but worded differently – “the wheel upon which the gospel is run or preached is money” or “the vehicle that carries the gospel is money” or “the wheel that drives the vehicle of the gospel is money”. Same as the world, “Money is the principal thing” for the world. The church has said it cannot do without money (because the gospel cannot be spread without it) even as the wolves of the world cannot do without it also. That money answereth all things **Ecc1 10:19** (all things that are carnal anyway-**Acts 8:20**). And that is why the church focuses so much on tithe paying, seed faith, first fruits, prosperity and the likes in their messages today. Some have even taken it to the extent of making tithe paying the pre-requisite for entering heaven or being known as Born again contrary to **Mtt 23:23, Jn 3:3,5**. A carnal offering and sacrifice has been, subtly, elevated to be the means by which one enters a spiritual place. It might as well serve like the gate fee for entering into heaven.

One wonders who taught the CAO that maxim-“the vehicle that carries the gospel of Christ is money”, for definitely it was not Christ our Master, unless it is the vehicle of the “another gospel”. The time is coming when those that have not the mark of the beast will not have access to money to either buy or sell, then what will happen to the money-dependent church?- **Rev 13:17**.

Christ never taught us that maxim nor did he show us such as an example for us to follow, rather he taught the opposite. For example, when he sent out the Twelve to preach the Kingdom of God, he said unto them “Take nothing for your journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither money; neither have two coats apiece. **Lk 9:2,3**.

Also, similar instructions he gave to the Seventy whom he sent to preach the gospel, he commanded them thus “Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves. Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes. . . . For the labourer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house (begging for money to run the gospel business or cajoling people)- **Lk 10:3-7**.

Mtt 6:24 “No man can serve two masters: . . . Ye cannot serve God and mammon”.

Prosperity preachers have to be careful before they end up inadvertently serving mammon in the guise of serving God in their churches, if they are not already. And raising up men as kings and priests that are said to reign and dominate over the affairs of this evil and adulterous world, while being subtly entangled therein with the princes of this world that control merchandising on the earth- **Lk 4:5-7; Rev 18:3,11-19**. They end up in their

churches, esteeming highly before men those things which are abomination in the sight of God – Lk 16:15”]

Acts 3:6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee:

CONCLUSION

Money is not a making of God but that of the god of this world-Satan; by which men can trade, buy and sell; exchange earthly goods and services. It is a means that he has put in place to be utilized at the endtimes to ensnare men that cannot do without it. How? He causeth men to be so dependent on money (hard currency) for a purpose.

Rev 13:16 And he causeth all both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond to receive a mark in their right hand or in their forehead; **Vr 17-** And no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

Money instrument is what the Antichrist shall use to hold men ransom, captive, and submissive unto him when he appears physically, though his spirit is already putting it to work in the world presently. By then, you cannot buy or sell without this his instrument that will carry his image, mark or number engraved on it. **Rev 13:16,17**

The great whore that sitteth upon many waters currently superintends over its operations in all the nations of the world until the end when judgment upon her shall come suddenly and swift even in an hour, so such a great wealth will come to naught. **Rev 17:1,2,15,17; Rev 18:11-19**

Everyone who is covetous cannot be able to see the mystery behind money, for the understanding is hidden from such persons. By godly wisdom get to make money your servant rather than being a servant of money before you enter your grave. May the Lord deliver and save you in Jesus name, Amen.

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God bless and keep you heaven bound while ye still walk on this earth. **MARANATHA.**