



The Six Keys to Financial Success!

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Dedication & Acknowledgements

I'd like to dedicate this book to my dad, Randy Hyman. He always wanted me to write this book so that the world could benefit from these principles that he's seen change my financial life.

I finally got the book completed about a year after he passed on to heaven. But this book is to honor you, dad.

I also am writing this book for my kids. That way, one day when I join my dad in heaven, they can look back to the principles in this book and use it as a "financial guide" for their life. In that way, I can still be teaching them long after my days down here on Earth are finished.

While my kids have been growing up, they've seen the financial blessing come about in my life but up until now, they have been too young to comprehend how it all happened. Today they will have a record of it all.

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Introduction

Hi folks, this is Sean Hyman. I'm going to talk to you today about six keys that I found that have changed my life financially. They took me out of poverty and into an abundant life.

I found these truths in an ancient book called the Bible. However, this is not a sermon or a Christian thing. These really are principles that anybody can take old of and prosper from.

So somebody can be a Christian or not a Christian to implement these ideas. Just like how a farmer can plant a seed in the ground and a plant will spring up for him based on the principles of seedtime and harvest time.

Now with that said, I make no qualms about the fact that I am a Christian. I follow biblical values. But this isn't a church thing and I'm not your preacher. Rather, these are principles that I have dug up and found to be true in my quest for financial prosperity.

My Journey Began with Unanswered Questions

My quest for financial prosperity really came about when I started to ask myself these questions: Have you ever wondered why you see Christians that are broke? It just seemed like it ought not to be, right?

Have you ever wondered why you see tithing and faithful church-attending Christians broke? That just seems like it ought not to be as well, correct?

It's really because they follow *some* of the counsel of God, but they haven't really learned to follow *all* of the financial counsel of God in His word.

I blame it on a few things (and I say *blame* loosely...because no individual person is to blame). But Christians don't know the Bible that well as a whole. And so they don't know all the things that are in there except what their pastor has taught them. Pastors sometimes only focus on a portion of it themselves.

Many pastors, as a matter of fact, sometimes are poor and not financially blessed because *they* don't enact all of these principles that you'll see that have been dug up from the word of God! This is not to belittle them. I used to be one of those broke preachers.

The key really is to follow *all* of the counsel of God on finances. And that's where my prosperity began. That's where my story really took a turn...when I uncovered and applied these six biblical principles to my personal finances.

Here's something to take into consideration: if you told your kid to take out the trash and go clean up his room and then help his mother with the laundry, and he just took out the trash, he wouldn't really be *fully* obedient, would he?

He wouldn't have the full blessing of the father as the child that did all three things that was asked of him. Basically, that's what happens with us as God's children.

It's not that people aren't doing some things right. A lot of people are getting some things right. Maybe they've given to a charity. Maybe they are helping somebody in need. Maybe they are helping their family. Maybe they are even giving a tithe, or an offering or—whatever! Maybe they're doing something right with money. I'm not saying they're not.

But they're not completely obedient, so there's partial disobedience there. We follow one or two biblical financial principles, but we're not really living "biblical economics" until we learn to implement them all.

So, I want to talk about the six financial principles of God in His word, about your money, and how to prosper financially. I'm not taking up an offering or anything of that sort, so you don't have anything to lose.

I'm just teaching you principles that have taught me. I just want to pass on the information. My calling, really, is that of a teacher. And when I get a revelation on something, the first thing I want to do is share that with other people.

Learn to pray over these principles. And learn to exercise your faith in these areas in these principles that I'm going to teach you.

If you feel that you have what the Bible calls "mustard seed" faith, that is, just the smallest inkling of faith, these principles will work for you.

That's really how I started off. I never considered myself a person of great faith, a mountain-moving faith type of guy. But I have seen those little mustard seeds and thought, "Well, I can have that much. It's just a little speck of faith." Well, that's all God ever really needs to work with.

The only thing he can't work with is total unbelief. Just that little speck of faith will do it. So keep that in mind when we go through these principles.

Principle #1: Pray for God's Favor and Blessing in Your Work.

Principle number one is really a work principle, and that's where I want to start. It really goes so much further than just having a job or clocking-in and clocking-out.

The first thing is to pray for God's favor and blessing on your business or your position with your employer.

This is one thing that really helped me a lot in my early days. I work in the financial markets, and I would pray for favor with my CEO, CFO, direct manager, with my peers that I worked with on my teams, et cetera.

I would develop that into a routine on my way into work or as I laid down to bed or as I got up and started getting ready in the morning. In those quiet times I would ask God to grant me favor with my superiors.

This has worked really well for me over the years because I implored and requested God's blessing and favor upon my life. He's put His hand upon my life and, just in the last four years, quadrupled my income.

This is stuff that really does work. These principles are time-tested, tried-and-true, and they've really proven themselves out. They're not just a theory that I think makes for good stories. They're literally things that have taken me out of poverty in my late teens and 20's when I first went into adulthood and into a lot of blessing into my 40's.

So pray for God's favor and blessing.

You know, one thing that always stood out to me about the story of Joseph in the book of Genesis, is that he had the hand and favor of God on his life. Even unbelievers could see the hand and favor of blessing in Joseph's life, and they would start putting him in charge of things.

In other words, they were unbelievers, but they weren't stupid. They had eyeballs. And they could tell when one man seemed to be prospering with his duties over others. They were just good business people, just not necessarily believers. And they knew if they stuck Joseph in charge of things they wanted to get done that he would make it happen.

Joseph was the same in the best of times and in the worst of times. He consistently worked hard when he was a slave in a man's household and he did the same when he was falsely accused and placed in prison. He worked diligently there too and he basically became the head over the prison later on. How many of us would have stopped working diligently because of where we were (prison) or because we got little or no pay?