

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

BACK TO THE BOOK OF ACTS (BBA)

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PART 8B: THE DOCTRINE OF THE SECOND COVENANT

FINANCES

The way people think has not changed since Jesus walked on the earth in the flesh. People at that time tried to buy private property, build homes, develop businesses, educate their children and prosper in the Roman Empire. By being in the Roman Empire, the opportunity of business was great, since there was a central currency like the euro or the dollar today. It was against this backdrop that Jesus laid out His doctrine when it came to finances. **Matthew 6:19-21**

GREED

Jesus was well aware that the “love of money is the root of all evil,” something which the apostle Paul pointed out later. (1 Timothy 6:9-10) Therefore, Jesus made it clear that pursuit of riches on this earth creates greed, and greed gives birth to dishonesty, cheating and lying. **verses 22-24**

The word “single” in the King James Bible means “honest, sincere, seeing justly.”

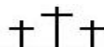
FRAME OF MIND

As Jesus laid down the spiritual laws, He pointed out that fear and anxiety have no part in the Kingdom of God. The entire focus should be on surrendering to God’s will; every action for the believer in Christ should be to seek the Kingdom of God and the righteousness of God. **verses 25-33**

JUDGING

This teaching on judging is used by people who are bent on living a sinful life and do not want to face the consequences of their sinful living. Jesus did not talk here about the justice system of society or about judging of sin but of a personal classification on people. Jesus talked about the way other people should be treated (i.e. treating the poor and the rich alike, treating the educated and the uneducated people alike, etc.). A believer in Christ should not despise other people but to love them and care for them. This is done by giving them the Gospel and treating them nicely at the same time. **Matthew 7:1-5**

Christians are mandated to judge, this is laid out by Jesus and both the apostles Paul and John. **Matthew 7:15-20; 1 Corinthians 5:1-13; Titus 3:8-11; 2 John 7-11**



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HOW TO SHARE SPIRITUAL INSIGHTS

Jesus knew that people who are not willing to grow spiritually also will not be able to receive spiritual information from people who are walking with Christ. As a result, we are to be careful with what we share or we will be attacked by people walking in the flesh. **Matthew 7:6; 1 Corinthians 2:9-16**

DO YOU HAVE AN EAR TO HEAR WITH?