

REASONS WHY CHRISTIANS DON'T PROSPER FINANCIALLY

1. Because Christians live for themselves and don't really put God first place in their lives and obey Him as they should.
Matthew 6:24-34; Haggai 1:1-11; Isaiah 1:19-20; I Timothy 4:8
2. Because Christians don't tithe. Tithing is a spiritual law found throughout the Word of God.
Leviticus 27:30; Genesis 14:20; 28:22; Proverbs 3:9-10; Malachi 3:8-10; Matthew 23:23; Hebrews 7:5-9
3. Because Christians don't give generous offerings, above the tithe, willingly and cheerfully.
II Corinthians 8:1-24; Acts 11:29; I Corinthians 16:1-2; II Corinthians 9:5-15; Luke 6:38; Proverbs 11:24-25; 22:9

4. Because Christians don't tithe and give in faith.
Genesis 14:18-23; Malachi 1:6-8; 3:13-15; Hebrews 11:33
Don't tithe and give as a religious duty or religious ritual, but as an expression of your love for God, acknowledging Him as your source. Do it in faith, expecting God to bless you as He promised.

Tithe and give **BOLDLY**.
Tithe and give **GLADLY**.
Tithe and give **IN FAITH**.

Formula for financial success:

*Give God 100% of your heart and 10% of your income
(plus generous offerings).*

5. Because Christians are not faithful and diligent.
Proverbs 28:20; Matthew 25:14-30;
Proverbs 10:4; 6:6-11; 19:15; 20:4&13; 24:30-34
6. Because Christians don't have a Biblical work ethic.
Ephesians 4:28; II Thessalonians 3:10-12; Ephesians 6:5-9;
Colossians 3:22-24

7. Because they don't honor (support financially) those in ministry.
Romans 13:7; I Timothy 5:17-19; I Thessalonians 5:12-13;
I Corinthians 9:7-14; Luke 10:7; Galatians 6:6

I Timothy 5:17—Honor here refers to the money you pay them.
Notice the connection between honor and financial support:
Proverbs 3:9; 14:31; I Timothy 5:3

Kenneth E. Hagin: Honoring your Pastor—the office he holds—is an important scriptural key to financial prosperity in your own life. Churches that muzzle God's servant never prosper. This is not something I think—but something I know—Those who honor their Pastor will prosper in life.

8. Because Christians trust in the world system and their own ability or in money instead of God.
I Timothy 6:17; Psalm 33:16-17; 20:17; Isaiah 31:1; Matthew 6:24
9. Because Christians operate in fear of lack.
Matthew 6:25-33; Job 3:25; Philippians 4:6; I Peter 5:7; Romans 8:32;
Luke 12:32; Philippians 4:19; Ecclesiastes 11:1-4
10. Because Christians don't deal honestly in financial matters.
Acts 5:1-11; Luke 19:2-9; Proverbs 11:1; 20:23; Ephesians 4:25-28;
Colossians 3:9; Psalm 15; II Corinthians 8:21; I Peter 2:12;
I Thessalonians 4:12; 5:22
11. Because Christians don't operate in wisdom concerning their finances.
Proverbs 3:13-18; 11:29; 21:20

Proverbs 21:20 New English Bible: "The wise man has his home full of fine and costly treasuries; but a stupid man is a mere spendthrift."
Spendthrift- one who spends money recklessly; wasteful and extravagant.

If your outgo is more than your income, then your upkeep will be your downfall.

Be wary of "get rich quick" schemes of all kinds.