#### **WSBM440 Financial Wisdom:**

Biblical Principles for Today's Challenges

Session VII: Budgeting

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#### **FORMAT**

- Introduction
- Budgeting
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- Video: Presentation
- Small Group Discussion
- Class Discussion / Summary
- Course Wrap Up





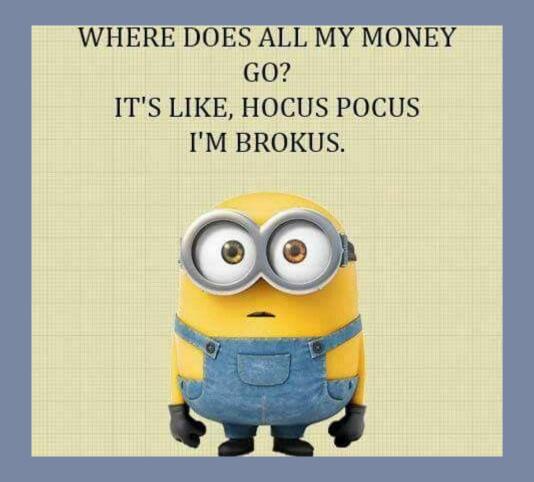


#### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

- 1) understand why budgeting is an important part of being a good steward
- 2) understand the traditional budgeting process





















"WHERE DID ALL MY
MONEY GO?"
I'M EITHER WEARING IT,
OR I ATE IT.







What is your kryptonite?!





kryptonite
/ˈkrɪptənʌɪt/
noun

(in the fictional word of the cartoon, TV, and film character Superman) an alien mineral that has the property of depriving Superman of his powers: "the evil Lex Luthor diminishes Superman's powers with kryptonite"

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We know budgeting is important.

We know people don't do budgeting.

Why?





15 I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. 16 And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. 17 As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. 18 For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature.[a] For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. 19 For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. 20 Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it.

Romans 7:15-20





#### Excuses / Reasons:

- Takes too much time
- I can't find the information
- I don't like to have restrictions
- I have a general idea, which is good enough





#### Budgeting is like financial goal setting

- You can't set goals unless you have the numbers
- You are much more likely to achieve your financial objectives if you set goals
- Budgeting is an important part of financial knowledge
- Through budgeting you will have financial peace of mind

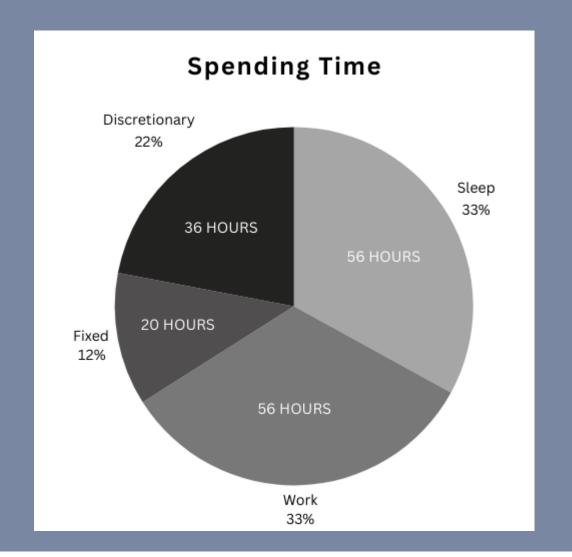




Do You

Budget

Your time?



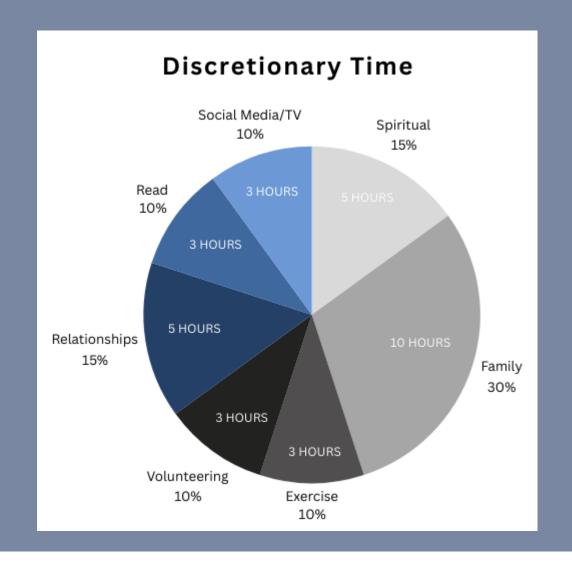


The key is your

"Discretionary

Time" (22% of

your week)



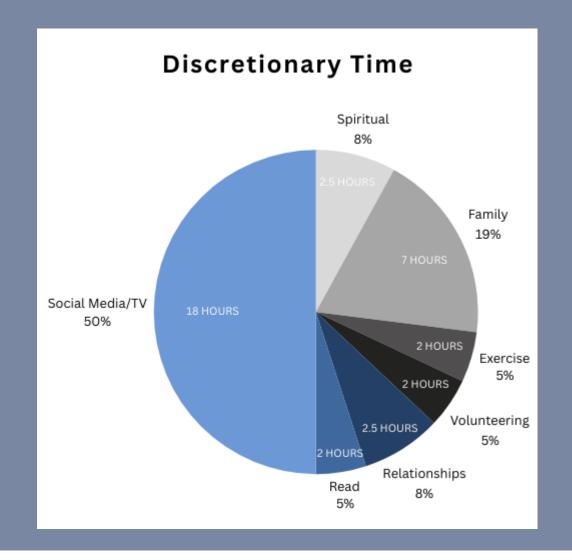




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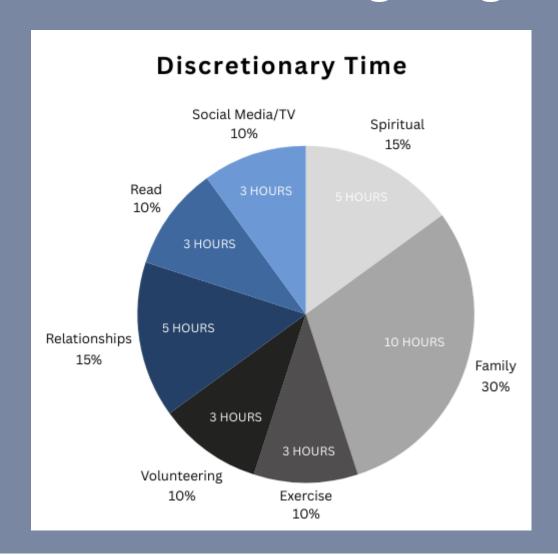
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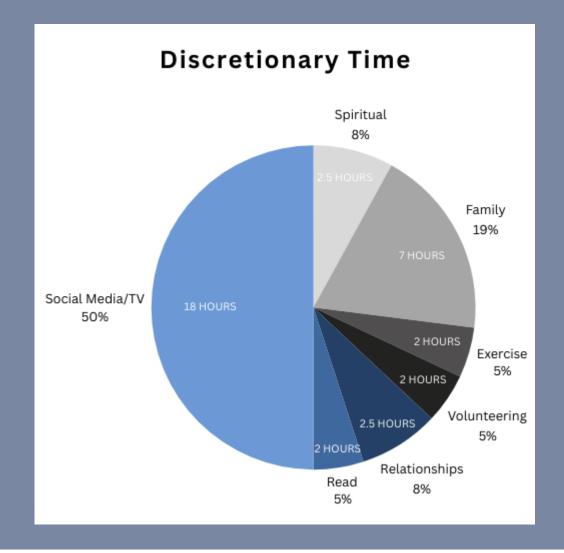
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#### Session VII: Questions for Discussion

- 1. How could you be a better steward of your resources if you had a detailed budget?
- 2. How does having a budget help you steward your resources?
- 3. What are the things that keep you from budgeting or updating your budget?
- 4. How can you create the necessary discipline for regularly checking and adjusting your budget?
- 5. Why is it important to set priorities in you budget? What happens when you don't set priorities?
- 6. What items you want to include in your mandatory expense line items?







#### **SESSION VII: BUDGETING**

#### **Conclusion & Objectives:**

- 1. Understand why a budget is important to being a good steward.
- 2. Understand the process of creating a budget.



"Success can be defined as a focus in a single direction over an extended period of time."

Virtually all worthwhile things are magnified with a long-term perspective:

- 1. Relationships
- 2. Spiritual disciplines
- 3. Gift development
- 4. Financial stability
- 5. Business acumen





Wisdom → Financial Wisdom:

"A prudent person foresees danger and takes precautions. The simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences."

Proverbs 27:12





There are biblically based eternal principles which provide the building blocks of financial wisdom. This foundation will allow you to handle your present challenges and opportunities as economic dynamics change over time. You will learn about core concepts such as stewardship and contentment. We will discuss the five ways to spend money: live, give, pay taxes, pay debt and grow. The objective of the course is to help each person develop consistent money habits to produce a lifetime of fruit (from course syllabus).





After students have completed this course, they will be able to:

- 1. Describe a biblical worldview as it relates to money and how it should be used.
- 2. Assess the relationship between money and contentment.
- 3. Develop confidence in the use of their finances.
- 4. Improve the clarity of their communication regarding finances.
- 5. Demonstrate the consistency of behavior that is pleasing to God.

(from course syllabus)









