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KINGDOM ECONOMICS

&

INVESTMENT

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CHAPTER 1

Understanding of Kingdom Economics and Investment

In a world filled with endless investment opportunities and financial complexities, it can be challenging to navigate the path of wise investing. As Christian believers, we are called to approach our finances and investment with biblical principles that guide our decision– making and reflect our values.

- UNDERSTANDING OF KINGDOM

A kingdom is where a king presides over the affairs of the kingdom with a territorial expansion plan in collaboration with the proper rights, duties and privileges. However, the kingdom of God talks about the reign and supremacy of God, where God's power and resource reside. There are privileges and secrets that are accessible to people of this kingdom of God. Jesus says there is only one safe place to invest and that is the in the kingdom of God.

Matthew 6:19-20(KJV)

19 "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:20 But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:"

- UNDERSTANDING OF INVESTMENT

Investment is defined as the act of engaging in activities that are expected to yield return.

In the context of the kingdom, investment is referred to as proper dedication to time, resources and efforts to the advancement of God’s kingdom, with the expectation of spiritual growth and divine rewards.

Deuteronomy 29:29{KJV}

29 “The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children forever, that we may do all.”

- UNDERSTANDING OF KINGDOM ECONOMICS

Kingdom Economics is the financial system rooted in biblical principles that governs how Christians should manage, invest and distribute their resources to advance God’s purpose on earth.

Kingdom economics challenges the norms of worldly financial systems by placing God’s kingdom and His righteousness at the center of all Economics activities.

In kingdom Economics, God’s blessing of wealth is obtained by great wisdom and responsibility and through discipline, hard work, saving, investing and seeking God’s will.

Proverbs 12:11(KJV)

11 “He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth vain persons is void of understanding.”

- UNDERSTANDING OF KINGDOM INVESTMENT

Kingdom investment involves allocating resources, not just financial ones in alignment with divine principles. it involves practices such as generosity, tithing and supporting initiatives that positively impact on communities.

Kingdom investments are private investments that yield public dividends. The concept of the kingdom investment is channeled towards promoting the advancement of God's kingdom.

Luke 12:33(KJV)

33 "Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth."

In conclusion, the wisdom of kingdom investment is the idea that investing in God's kingdom is a way to grow spiritually and store up treasures in heaven. It is based on the idea that earthly possessions are temporary, while investment in the kingdom are eternal.

Matthew6:33(KJV)

33 "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Chapter 2

Biblical Examples of Kingdom Economics

- **ABRAHAM**

Abraham demonstrated kingdom financing by supporting God's plans in building altar and hosting divine visitors

Genesis 13:3-4

3 "And he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Hai; 4 Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of the LORD."

- **DAVID**

  David used his resources to prepare for the construction of the temple.

  1 Chronicles 29:3-4(KJV)

  3 "Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, which I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house.4 Even three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the houses withal:"

- **SOLOMON**

Solomon’s wealth and wisdom were used to build the first temple in Jerusalem, demonstrating a large-scale commitment to God’s purpose on earth.

1 king 6:1-2(KJV)

1 “And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which is the second month, that he began to build the house of the Lord.

2 And the house which king Solomon built for the Lord, the length thereof was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof twenty cubits, and the height thereof thirty cubits.”

- **JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA**

Joseph of Arimathea was a wealthy disciple of Jesus, who used his resources to provide a tomb for Jesus’ burial, showing that kingdom financiers may operate behind the scenes.

Mark 15:43(KJV)

43 “Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ”

- **THE WOMEN WHO SUPPORTED JESUS MINISTRY**

Joanna, Susanna and others used their resources to support Jesus and His disciples, demonstrating that kingdom financiers can also be women.

Luke 8:2-3(KJV)

2 “And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils,3 And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance.”

- **THE GLOBALLY MODERN-DAY RENOWED KINGDOM FINANCIERS.**

  - DAVID GREEN

A founder of hobby lobby, a major supporter of evangelical causes and Bible distribution.

- RICK WARREN

Author and Pastor who has invested millions into global missions.

- JOHN MAXWELL

A leadership expert who uses profits from his books and speaking engagements to finance kingdom initiatives.

- PAT ROBERTSON

  The founder of Christian Broadcasting Network {CBN}, a Christian broadcaster with significant financial influence.

- KENNETH COPELAND

  A Televangelist who has financed many international Christian Missions.

- JOYCE MEYER

  She finances numerous charitable works globally.

- BILL AND GLORIA GAITHER

  Gospel music artists who have funded many Christian causes.

- LARRY BURTHETT

  Founder of Crown financial Ministries, a kingdom financier in the field of financial stewardship.

- T.D JAKES

  Pastor and Author who uses profits from his books to fund kingdom initiatives.

- BENNY HINN

  International Evangelist, funding global crusades and missions.

- PASTOR ENOCH ADEJARE ADEBOYE

  Author and Pastor who has invested billions into global missions and producer of the Open Heaven Christian Manual book on yearly basis. He is the General Overseer of Redeemed Christian Church of God, Nigeria.

- BISHOP DAVID OYEDEPO

  Author and Bishop who has invested billions into the building of “THE ARK” at the living faith Tabernacle Church of God, Nigeria.

- ALPH LUKAU–THE BILLION – RAND PREACHER

  Alph Lukau is the founder and General Overseer of Alleluia Ministries International, who invested billions to turn a faith–based Ministry into a Global brand in South Africa.

CHAPTER 3

- **The Fundamentals of Kingdom Economics and Investment.**

- HOW TO INVEST IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD

  - Prayer.
    Intercessory prayer are a necessity and is not an option.
    Matthew 6:6(KJV)
    6 "But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father whichseeth in secret shall reward thee openly."

  - Fasting.
    We fast to humble ourselves in the presence of God.
    Matthew 6:16(KJV)
    16 "Moreover, when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast."

  - Giving.
    Cultivating a lifestyle of giving to God and to the needy.
    Proverbs 31:20(KJV)
    20 "She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy."

  - Service.
    Serve the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength.
    Ecclesiastes 12:1(KJV)
    1 "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them."

- Work with Diligence.
  You must work diligently for God to bless the work of your hands.

  Ecclesiastes 9:10(KJV)

  10 '' Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might, for there is no work or device or knowledge or wisdom in the grave where you are going"

- INVEST IN THE WORD OF GOD.
  Kingdom investors commit themselves to the word of God.

  Joshua 1:8(KJV)

  8 "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."

- REACH out for Soul Winning.
  Preach the gospel of the kingdom to all and sundry. Don't be ashamed.

  Romans 1:16(KJV)

  16 "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greeks"

● **The Dynamics of Kingdom Economics.**

- Divine Source.
  God is the ultimate source in the kingdom.
  Everything we possess comes for the Almighty God.

  Psalm 24:1(KJV)

  1 "The earth is the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein."

- Stewardship.
  The concept of stewardship is central in kingdom economics for God's rewards.

  Matthew 25:29-30 (KJV)

  29 "or unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.[30] And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

- Generosity and Giving.
  Generosity and giving are the hallmark of kingdom economics. Believer are encouraged to give liberally.

  Proverbs 11:25(KJV)

  25 "The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself."

- Multiplication and Increase.
  Believers are encouraged to grow and multiply their resources for greater kingdom impact.

  Matthew 13:12(KJV)

  12 "For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath."

- Community Welfare.
  Believer are encouraged to participate in such initiatives as Community development projects, Cooperative business and Charitable foundations to reflect God's love.

  Acts 2:44-45(KJV)

  44 "And all that believed were together, and had all things common;[45] And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need."

- Ethical Conduct.
  Believers are to reject corrupt practices, fraud and exploitative activities, but to uphold ethical standards, ensuring their activities honour God and uplift others.

  Proverbs 11:30(KJV)

  30 "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise."

- Focus on Eternal Impact.
  Believers are encouraged to focus on eternal rewards rather than temporary gains.

  Job 34:11(KJV)

  11 "For the work of a man shall he render unto him, and cause every man to find according to his ways."

● THE PERSPECTIVE OF KINGDOM ECONOMICS

- **Logical Perspectives**:

The Teaching for Debt.

Roman 13:7-8(KJV)**7 "Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.8 Owe no man anything, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the"**

The Teaching for lending.

Deuteronomy 15:7-8(KJV)**7 "If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother:**

8 But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, in that which he wanteth."

The Teaching for saving Money.

Proverbs 21:20(KJV)**20 "There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up."**

The Teaching for investing.

Ecclesiastes 11:16(KJV)**16 "Error and darkness had their beginning together with sinners: and evil shall wax old with them that glory therein."**

- **Theological Perspectives**.

The Bible reminds us that it is God who gives us the power and ability to make wealth.

Deuteronomy 8:18(KJV)

18 "But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day."

- **Sociology Perspective**.

This inspires believers to create business that serve the common good of others, fight poverty and promote economic justice.

Deuteronomy 15:11(KJV)

11 "For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore, I command thee, saying, thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land."

- **Spiritual Perspectives**

Kingdom economics connects material wealth with spiritual maturity. Believers are called to view money as a tool for fulfilling God's purpose rather than an end means in itself.

Marks 10:21(KJV)

21 "Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, one thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou."

- IMPORTANCE OF KINGDOM INVESTMENT

- Foundational Milestone.
  Kingdom investment is the foundation for all other investments on earth. Earthly investment has little or no value, if God and his kingdom are not the reasons for them.

  Luke 16:22(KJV)
  22 "And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;"

  Psalms 37:4(KJV)
  4 "Delight thyself also in the Lord: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart."

- Guarantees Success in Life.
  Kingdom investment on earth guarantees a success in the works of your hands.

  Proverbs 16:3(KJV)
  3 "Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established."

- Preserves Your Investment.
  What you invest in God's kingdom will preserve your earthly investment.

  Malachi 3:12(KJV)

  12 "And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts."

- Release Divine Favour.
  Your investment in the kingdom release God's favour on your life, work and whatever you do.

  Deuteronomy 28:11(KJV)

  11 "And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers to give thee."

- Engenders Protection.
  Kingdom investment brings deliverance and protection in your life, home and whatever belongs to you.

  Deuteronomy 28:7(KJV)

  7 "The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before."

- Engenders Speed in Life Endeavours.
  Kingdom investment gives you speed in your life endeavors and makes you great.
  Deuteronomy 28:12(NKJV) 12 " The Lord will open to you His good treasure, the heavens, to give the rain to your land in its season, and to bless all the work of your hand. You shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow."

- The Principles of Kingdom Investment for a Christian.

  - Consider God’s Ownership.
    Christians investing in God’s kingdom must acknowledge God’s ownership of all things includes your money, your cars, your houses and your investment.
    1 Chronicles 29:12(NKJV) 12 “ Both riches and honour come from You, And You reign over all. In Your hand is power and might, In Your hand it is to make great, And to give strength to all.”
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  - Consider God’s Sovereignty.
    Christians investing in God’s kingdom must acknowledge God’s Sovereignty. As the Creator of all things, God is sovereign over everything. He has made. He is sovereign in our lives because of who we are in Him.

    Colossians 1:16(KJV)

    16 “For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:”

  - To Advance God’s Kingdom.
    Christians investing in the kingdom of God, is to advance the kingdom and to glorify God. God is motivated by the desire of a Christian who shows interest in seeing His kingdom expansion.

    Ephesians 2:10(KJV)

    10 “For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.”

- Consider God’s Priorities.
  Christians investing in the kingdom of God must respect God’s priorities and use any extra financial resources that comes our ways to appreciate God.

  Romans 13:7(KJV)

  7 “Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.”

- Consider Seeking God’s Wisdom.
  Christians investing in the kingdom of God, must seek God’s wisdom. We must seek God’s wisdom continually as we make specific choices as Christian investors.

  Proverbs 28:26(KJV)

  26 “He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.”

Consider God’s Majesty :- Christians must value God’s Majesty and our constant communion with Him above all earthly ambitions and wealth.

James 1:17(KJV)

17 “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.”

- Enjoys God’s Blessing.
  Christians must humbly acknowledge that if we aim our lives in the direction of God’s glory, we will enjoy His blessings.

  2 Corinthians 9:8(KJV)

  8 “And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:”

- BENEFITS OF KINGDOM INVESTMENT

  - Enhances Abundance of Grace.
    Kingdom investment enhances a life of abundance in grace and live a life filled with grace and divine favour.

    2 Corinthians 9:14(KJV)

    8 "And their prayer for you, which long after you for the exceeding grace of God in you:"

  - Enhances Fulfillment of Purpose.
    In kingdom investment, people feel fulfilled whenever they contribute to the kingdom of God.

    John 6:27(KJV)

    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: for him."

  - Enhances Health and Wholeness.
    Kingdom investing enhances a life without pains and grief that positively affects our mental, physical and psychological wellbeing.

    Isaiah 58:8(KJV)

    8 "Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory."

  - Enhances Financial Blessings.
    Kingdom investment gives you a key to unlock financial blessings.

    Leviticus 27:30(KJV)

    30 "And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD's: it is holy unto the LORD."

- Enhances Spiritual and Physical Dominance.
  Kingdom investment will make you a leader over principalities and power. Investing in the lives of people gives you authority. A kingdom investor makes spiritual exploits.
  2 Corinthians 10:8(KJV)
  8 "For though I should boast somewhat more of our authority, which the Lord hath given us for edification, and not for your destruction, I should not be."

- Enhances Giving Culture.
  Kingdom investment cultivates the habit of giving among believers.
  Acts 20:35(KJV)
  35 "I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, it is more blessed to give than to receive."

- Enhances Fellowship Culture.
  The Christians of the early church practiced kingdom investment and these act fostered a sense of fellowship among them. Communal fellowship is a common values and beliefs.
  Acts 2:44(KJV)
  44 "And all that believed were together, and had all things common;"

- PRACTICAL APPROACH TO KINGDOM INVESTMENT

  - By Tithing and Offering
    Malachi 3:8(KJV)
    8 "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings."

  - By investing in kingdom Projects.
    Matthew 16:18-19(KJV)
    18 "And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

- By leveraging Business for Ministry

  Ephesians 4:11-12(KJV)

  11 "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;
  12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:"

- Through Debt Management.

  Proverbs 22:26(KJV)

  26 "Be not thou one of them that strike hands, or of them that are sureties for debts."

- Through Wealth Transfer.

  Proverbs 13:22(KJV)

  22 "A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

- Through Asset Management.

  1 Timothy 6:17(KJV)

  17 "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;"

- Through Marketplace Ministry

  Acts 17:17(KJV)

  17 "Therefore, disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him."

- By innovative financial solutions.

  2 Corinthians 9:12(KJV)

  12 "For the administration of this service not only supplieth the want of the saints, but is abundant also by many thanksgivings unto God;"

- By Financial Accountability & Transparency.

  2 Corinthians 9:6(KJV)

  6 "But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully."

- CAUTIONS FOR KINGDOM INVESTMENT

  - Avoid selfish intention

    Acts 5;3(KJV)

    3 "But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land?"

  - Avoid covetousness.

    Luke 12:15(KJV)

    15 "And he said unto them, take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."

  - Avoid the Get Rich Quick Mentally.

    Proverbs 13:11(KJV)

    11 "Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth by labour shall increase."

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  - Avoid Being Greedy.

    Mark 8:36(KJV)

    36 "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

  - Avoid Dishonesty.

    1 Samuel 8:3(KJV)

    3 "And his sons walked not in his ways, but turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and perverted judgment."