

**A.B.C.'s of Money Management:
What to teach your Children about Money
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Proverbs 22; Deuteronomy: 6:6-9

Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.

The ABC'S of Money management for Children

1) How do we teach our kids?

- a) By our **words** – We need to talk about it. Proverbs 22
- b) By our **walk** – We need to model it
 - i) Mark 7:6 He answered and said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written: ‘This people honors Me with their *lips*, But their heart is far from Me.’”
 - ii) 1 Corinthians 11:1 Imitate me, just as I also *imitate* Christ.
 - iii) Luke 6:40 A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher.
 - iv) **We can teach what we believe but we reproduce what we are.**
- c) By their **work** - Work is not a **dirty four letter** word
 - i) Proverbs 13:11 (NRSV) Wealth hastily gotten will dwindle, but those who gather little by little will increase it.
 - ii) Proverbs 14:23 In all labor there is profit, But idle chatter *leads* only to poverty.

2) How can we give them experience?

- a) **Acquaint** them with income.
- b) **Begin** them on a budget –. Proverbs 3:9-10 Honor the LORD with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase; ¹⁰So your barns will be filled with plenty, And your vats will overflow with new wine.
 - i) First Give **to God**
 - ii) Second save **for myself**
 - iii) Third **spend for my needs**
- c) **Confront** them with the dangers of money
 - i) You can't spend **more than you get**
 - ii) You don't need everything **you want**
 - iii) You shouldn't believe that money buys **friends and happiness**. Luke 15
 - iv) You shouldn't **forget God**
 - (1) Malachi 3:8-9a “Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How do we rob you?’ “In tithes and offerings.