



## **God & Mammon : Choose Now !**

As Christians the Bible is our 'users manual' for life. The New Testament contains 2084 verses dealing with stewardship and accountability for money, nearly ten times more than any other subject, according to *Wealth, Riches & Money, God's Biblical principles of Finance by Craig Hill & Earl Pitts*.

Money plays an important part in our lives and without money we will not get far. Money buys the food that we eat to maintain our bodies in a healthy state, the clothes we wear to cover our bodies and the roofs over our heads to protect our bodies against the elements.

In Mathew 6:24 we read '... you cannot serve both God and Mammon... '.

Mammon is a false deity that creates the belief in peoples minds that money is the source of all these things that I have mentioned in the previous paragraph, that our employers, or our investments is the source of our money, that we should worry when we do not have money...

But we know from the Holy Scripture that God is our only source. He provides us with everything we need, and everything we have. The earth and everything on earth belongs to Him, also our bodies. Nothing belongs to us, but is merely given to us by Him to serve Him and to enjoy in our service to Him. He also makes us the conduits through whom He channels His blessings to others.

Therefore in the next verse in Mathew 6, verse 25, we read '... do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink... '.

Take up the challenge of your responsibility towards God's belongings which He has put to your disposal to serve Him and share with others to His glory.

This is what financial planning means. It means responsibility and accountability for His belongings which you care for.