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"Finding Financial Freedom in the New Year"

Big Idea: God wants you to live in financial freedom.

1. Finding financial freedom is more about our **attitude** than it is about our **ability**.

- a. God owns everything; we are simply **managers** or **administrators** acting on his behalf.
- b. Steward's real job is **faithfulness**.
- c. Stewards think **differently** than **owners**.
- d. One of the keys to achieving financial freedom is **transferring ownership** of every possession to God.
- e. Financial freedom comes from **knowing** God is in control.

2. Get out of debt and stay out of debt *or* Learn to say, "NO!"

Living in **debt** is the **greatest** threat to achieving financial freedom.

There are 8 steps that will help you get out of debt:

- a. Make a **written** plan.
- b. Stop any **expenditure** that is not absolutely essential for living.
- c. **Think** before buying.
- d. **Discontinue** buying on credit.
- e. Avoid **leverage**. Don't borrow money to invest.
- f. Begin a **practice** of saving.
- g. Establish the **tithe**.
- h. Accept God's **provision**.

3. Establish the tithe.

- a. A tithe is **10%**.
- b. An **offering** is over and above 10%.

4. You can't take it with you, so leave a legacy.

- a. **Wealth** will always be lost.
- b. Leaving a legacy means to invest or buy up shares in places where there will be **spiritual** advances.

Conclusion:

Living in financial freedom allows you to do **bigger** and **better** things.