

How Do We Lay A Solid Foundation When Young For Our Future Physical Life?

We live in an age in which we feel we must “*have it now*”. The age of instant fulfilment of pleasure or goods.

This could stem from a lack of hope for a better future as we see society spiralling into more and more violence and chaos.

To fulfil this powerful desire we go into heavy debt by obtaining our goods and pleasure on credit, hoping we will be able to meet the payments with very high added interest in the future, however uncertain it looks.

There is in the **Handbook For Life** an eternal principle that can help us avoid the pain and anguish that unbearable debt can bring.

Proverbs 24:27 [Amplified Bible] *“Put first things first, prepare your work outside, and get ready for yourself in the field, and afterwards build your house and establish a home.”*

When this wise saying was first written it was given to an agrarian society where the economy was centred mainly around food production and limited household needs.

[By the way, such a society is the only really stable type of economy.]

But the principle still stands.

We all need to save well and long before we take on the added burden of a house and family.

Proverbs 24:3 [Amplified Bible] *“Through skilful and godly wisdom is a life, a home or a family built, and by understanding it is established on a sound and good foundation.”*

Here we see that we are encouraged to bring the Creator God into the decision making.

Proverbs 10:4-5 [Amplified Bible] *“The Eternal will not allow the uncompromisingly righteous to famish but He thwarts the desires of the wicked. He becomes poor who works with a slack and idle hand, but the hand of the diligent makes rich.”*

God will provide the opportunities but He expects us to apply the hard work.

Proverbs 21:5 [Amplified Bible] *“The thoughts of the steadily diligent tend only to plenteousness but everyone who is impatient and hasty hastens only to want.”*

Patience is a great virtue in life and in the end will bring the great reward.

Also remember one very powerful principle.

Proverbs 22:7 [Amplified Bible] *“... the borrower is servant to the lender.”*

Those who lend you money have a powerful hold over you.

Do you wish to be their slave?