CROSS CHURCH

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UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT
PART 2: ESCAPING THE SNARE

Business author Mike Michalowicz says: "Money amplifies your character. It is that simple. It allows you to repeat your ingrained habits easily. And unless you have developed a strong, humble character coupled with good habits, more and more money will become more and more of a problem. (Michalowicz, 2013)

SAVE ALL YOU CAN. EARN ALL YOU CAN. GIVE ALL YOU CAN. ENJOY IT ALL.

"There is no substitute for hard work!"

PROVERBS 6:1-5 My son, if you have put up security for your neighbor, if you have shaken hands in pledge for a stranger, you have been ***trapped*** by what you said, ***ensnared*** by the words of your mouth. So do this, my son, to ***free yourself***, since you have ***fallen into your neighbor's*** hands: Go—to the point of exhaustion— and give your neighbor no rest! ***Allow no sleep to your eyes***, ***no slumber to your eyelids***. Free yourself, like a gazelle from the hand of the hunter, like a bird from the snare of the fowler.

FREEDOM FROM THE SNARE OF FINANCIAL BONDAGE:

1. Be Aware And Move.

- ***PROVERBS 6:3-4***
- ***PROVERBS 6:5***

2. Look Out For The Traps.

PSALM 124:7 "We have escaped like a bird from the fowler's snare; the snare has been broken, and we have escaped."

PROVERBS 6:6-9 Go to the ant, you sluggard; ***consider its ways and be wise***! It has no commander, no overseer or ruler, yet ***it stores its provisions in summer*** and **gathers its food at harvest**. How long will you lie there, you sluggard? When will you get up from your sleep?

3. Carry The Weight Well.

- ***PROVERBS 10:4, PROVERBS 12:11***
- ***2 THESSALONIANS 3:10, COLOSSIANS 3:23-24***

PROVERBS 6:10-11 A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest – and poverty will come on you like a thief and scarcity like an armed man.

EARN ALL YOU CAN:

1. **Assess Your Season.**

   - **Suffering -** Struggling to cover survival budget.
   - **Snared -** Covering the basics but feel like you can't keep up.
   - **Steady -** Bills getting paid. Some margin, but not really financially free.
   - **Surplus -** Consumer debt is gone. Enjoying margin here. Goals are being funded.

2. **Take Personal Inventory.**

   - *WHAT COMES EASIER TO ME THAN TO MOST?*
   - *WHAT FEELS LIKE WORK TO OTHERS BUT FUN TO ME?*
   - *WHAT CAN I DO THAT MAKES ME WONDER WHY OTHERS CAN'T?*

   "Everyone is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid."

   - ALBERT EINSTEIN

3. **Grow While You Go.**

4. **Find a Need and Fulfill It.**

What is the Holy Spirit speaking to me today, and how can I apply it?

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DIVE NIGHT
7TH - 12TH GRADE
WEDNESDAY AT 7PM

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SUNDAY AT 10:15AM

FREEDOM CONFERENCE
NOVEMBER 13-14

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NOVEMBER 28

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