



Getting Wisdom for Kingdom Financial Strategies

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Hey friends, Doug Addison here. Welcome to another *Spirit Connection* podcast.

Moving in through the new year, I've been talking about how to break through the things that might be holding you back over the last few episodes. If you haven't been watching them, you can actually get them on my website, DougAddison.com. You can also subscribe to the podcast ... we have the audio version of these.

But God's doing something new right now. And He's gonna open up things for you. The very reason you were created is gonna be revealed. That's the prophetic word that I'm releasing for 2020. And if you wanna read that, you can actually do an internet search—Doug Addison prophetic word 2020—you'll see it. Or my website. But we're gonna see some things happen right now.

Lord, we pray that You would align us on Earth as it is in Heaven. We pray for the things that have held us back in the past would no longer hold us back. We pray that this would be a year of breakthrough.

I saw the Lord, He showed me, I saw this picture where it's like a slingshot and He's pulled you back. Many people, He's pulled you back. And it's almost being in the slingshot of the Lord where you don't know what's going on, suddenly you're about to propel forward. This is the season we're in right now.

So we just ask the Lord, that You would reveal these things right now in Jesus' name. Amen.

It's gonna be an exciting time. And this is the time that we really do ... We need to step into a new season of finances. And I wanna talk about this and, just so you know that my heart is not set on money at all. In fact, my wife gave it all, we have given it all, everything, to do what we do. And we're now 60 years old, InLight Connection's been going for 18 years, and prior to that we planted a couple churches. So we sold our businesses 20 years ago, and we've given it all into the Kingdom. Some people think we're crazy, but I tell you, God is gonna open things up so money can't control you. And

this whole idea of prosperity is coming to the forefront because God wants to finance these new moves of God.

To me, here's my version: Prosperity is having the freedom and the time to do what God calls you to do when He calls you to do it. How about that? You want prosperity? I do. To me, to be prosperous, it doesn't matter how much is in my bank account. My goodness. It matters on fulfilling God's calling, on staying at perfect peace, being able to bless people. I wasn't in this place years ago. We were in debt. We had to work our way out. But there's ways that you can do this, that you can step into the very thing that you were created to be. That's what God's doing this year, and I've been talking about it. And there's greater purpose, your greater life purpose is opening up right now.

Now, I wanna talk about some different strategies about finances. And I got ... A lot of these things came to me when I had angelic encounters in 2009 in South Africa. An angel of finance came into my room, my hotel room, and I had a downloaded onto me. It was so much, I could hardly even keep up. And a lot of other things happened, but that's where I got a lot of the stuff that I'm talking about. I had released a financial strategy over someone who netted a million dollars through it. Now it's not about the money. It's about listening to God. It's about growing in character with Him. It's about a loving relationship with the Lord. Just so you know that.

And so, here's the thing. Some people say, "Should I be paid?" Or maybe ... There's a whole group that thinks that everything should be free in the ministry. And the "everything should be free in the ministry" people probably have never ran a business or a ministry and didn't understand that even Jesus has said ... Jesus had a money bag. He put Judas in charge of the money bag, but He did! He had people caring for His financial needs. So there are things that Paul, the apostle Paul, he had a business. There are things that God wants to do, and ... Everything doesn't have to be free, by the way. It's okay to be paid.

I had to walk through this in my earlier years as I was moving into ministry. I was moving from business ... I felt fine from, you know, being paid in business. But then I was having trouble with that part in ministry. What I'm trying to say here is there's some people who need to get balanced in both of these things. 1 Timothy 5:18 says, "Do not muzzle an ox while it's treading out the grain. The worker deserves his wages." So we see that, but yet when some people get upset and they judge others, you know, if we're charging for things.

I try to be fair and charge fairly. I try to keep it to a fair place, not a fair market rate or anything like that. But to be fair, we do most of my stuff ... I have my, what looks like a funnel. You know, the top funnel is—almost everything I have is free. If you get one of my messages, you get a *Daily Prophetic Word*, you can get my blog, you can get my podcasts that I'm doing right now. And I have free ebooks that I do, you know, several times a year. So I have a big "free funnel." And then as it goes down a little bit further, you wanna go deeper, I do have some things that we charge for. We don't charge a lot for them either. But I'm just sayin', I had to walk through this.

You need to decide when you want to get your message or whatever it is that God's calling you to do, you need to make a decision if you wanna get paid or not. When I first started out, I struggled with it and it held me back from writing. Writing books and things like that. But it's very biblical to understand that, you know, we can do things as long as you ... that you wanna keep your heart in line and remember the widow's mite. You know, the widow who put in the one penny or whatever it was, was greater than all the rest. And I try to keep that in mind with my ministry. So we try to keep a big "free funnel," but we do have some deep things. When people wanna go deeper, they can. Or businesspeople who wanna get training, they can find a place to do that, as well.

And so, if you look at it, true riches ... What is "true riches?" If our hearts get off on this, you know, we need to be motivated by God's heart, His purposes, and to be able to handle wealth. Internet marketing training, you know, and different things like that are going on out there right now, can be soulish. You know, and you'll see some things that are on the internet. We use internet marketing, but I tell you, that I've gone through some training but I'm also ... I've kicked the soulish stuff out and I do a Spirit-led strategy that is of the Lord. And I try to use wisdom and character. And as I understand what "true riches" are. True riches in His glory, you know. True riches, according to apostle Paul, I'm just actually doing a search in the Bible or on the internet about the Bible and "true riches." And it's about wisdom and revelation, and how to do things.

And so, as we're moving into this season of making finances for the Kingdom, that's what's happening this year. There's a reason we have superstorms. We have the things that are happening right now. Cities are being wiped out overnight. Or shootings and disasters. Fires. We have earthquakes, floods, fires. They call it the level of the Bible—biblical proportions—they're saying on the news. In other words, it's some serious stuff. We need money to be able to give to those things. And that's what we do here at InLight. We try to give into those areas and to donate into those areas. But we can't rely on the government all the time. And so there's times when I believe, the Lord has spoken to me about this, is that we need to develop financial strategies and financial income for the Kingdom purposes.

You know, some churches are struggling right now, and this is what I did with my church. When we planted our first church, it was four failed church plants in the area where we went. And we moved from San Francisco Bay area where I sold my business. It was like a six-figure job, you know, and we went to this area that didn't have that much money. And it was a college town, and I knew that there was four failed church plants, but the Lord blessed me in my business during that season. And it was a 2- or 3-year season I believe, where He blessed me in my business. I was still pastoring and planting the church, but I didn't have to rely so much ... [He] had me because He had blessed me with contracts and different things like that. And so, I'm just sayin', you can be a tentmaker, or you can actually develop, is what I've done in different seasons of my life, is I've helped the churches that I was part of, or I was near. You know, but by helping with space and giving into these different things.

I believe God's calling ... It's called the "Joseph anointing," and it doesn't have to be a man to be this. The Joseph anointing is where you get, like Joseph in Genesis 40 and

41, he was able to interpret dreams of leaders. Not only interpret the dream correctly of Pharaoh, but he was able to release a strategy from the Lord, and it blessed Israel and set things up and got them through a difficult time. I believe that we're in that right now. We need to be able to get the flow of Heaven—financially—to be able to bless. Also, there's strategies God wants to do. He wants to do outreaches. You know, outreaches ... I've been an outreach person for years! And you don't get paid much for outreaches. I'm just sayin', they're expensive!

And I'm only saying this because I'm telling you why you'll want to be able to develop different streams of income through different types of things. And the internet is one. My last episode I talked about the internet a little bit about how to utilize ... this month I've been talkin' about, you know, how you can actually work on the internet or you can do some side jobs and use it to get out of debt. You can actually take anything.

The internet is so amazing that we're in a time right now of digital self-publishing. And it's with Kindle books, and I have a book called *Write a Book Quickly*, where I talk a little bit about it. But you can take my online course, which is *Write Your Book Now!* where I walk you through ... In fact, it's a 2-hour course, I give you some forms, everything you need. But it's the understanding of how to create a digital book. It gets your message out there. I have some different types of trainings that I do, and some free ones, where I talk about how to take your current message, whatever it might be. Maybe you're a blogger. Maybe you're a storyteller. Maybe you're a preacher or a Bible study person. Maybe you have business ideas. You can pull those together into a digital book, an ebook or something along those lines. And it's just a time right now, writing a book has never been so easy. And with the Kindle books and the digital online publishing, it's a time right now that you could actually step into this next level that God has for you.

Or you could become what I would call an expert or a coach. Because of the internet, you can become an expert in something. Maybe you're really good at something and, you know, maybe you have a hobby that you're good at. Or maybe you have something in your job and the Lord wants to use you to bless other people (after you get off work, by the way). You can do this. Or maybe you're retired, and you can create some type of digital, you know, course.

Or you can become a coach. And coaches, by the way, like with a coach, like an athletic coach, you're not better than the athlete but you know things. So there's many people who could become spiritual coaches. There's life coaches. There's different types of things like that. I became a life coach, but there are some restrictions in your area. I became a prophetic life coach for several years because I saw a need in the Kingdom. And I saw a need in people's lives to be able to not just rely on a prophetic word or something like that, but to be able to activate it.

And if you want to understand coaching, I wrote an online course called *Unlocking Your Breakthrough: How to Become Your Own Breakthrough Coach*. And it actually walks you through, gives you the tools, honestly, gives you the tools to walk you through. Doesn't make you a certified coach in any way, but it will prepare you. And I even give you my form that I used for a number of years to walk people through to have

breakthroughs. But you need to get it yourself. If you wanna become an expert or coach, you need to get this thing down yourself. That's why I recommend that. I usually figure one thing out, and then try to offer it at a really reasonable price. Crazy price sometimes, actually, some people say. But the *Unlock Your Breakthrough Coach* could help you with this.

Here's some exercises, right now, to help brainstorm with some ideas that you could possibly use to get paid for or to develop extra time.

- What do you like to do? What are you good at? Maybe what do you have experience with? You know, I have a background in banking, but I don't wanna go help anyone in it. But I do have a computer network background, as well. That's why I do what I do on the internet.
- What messages do you have already? Are they sermons? Are they talks, reports, books, things like that? Research what other people are doing.
- And also, what is a need that people have, either in your area ... and how can you meet that need? Most people have this need, this is what I found, they have a need to save time, to save money and also to save pain. That's a need. And a lot of my stuff helps people break through those things.

And so Lord, I pray right now that You would open the heavens. I pray that You would speak to each person, that they'd get the heart that this is not about money. That this is about expanding the Kingdom like we've never had the opportunity before because of the internet, because of where we are right now. Lord, I pray on Earth as it is in Heaven, that You would open the heavens now, in Jesus' name, amen.

Well I'm doing a ... It's 49 days, 7 weeks, online, an interactive course that you might wanna be part of, especially during this time. And if what I've been saying is striking a bell with you, it's called *Launch Your Life Purpose: A Breakthrough Experience with Doug Addison*. It's February and March. You don't have to go anywhere. You can take it right from you home. It's a media, different types of media. It's not just us sending you a video. There's a live call with me, we have a coach, we have a, you know, an online group that you join, as well. So just go to DougAddison.com/Launch.

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All right, I hope you're having a great year! See you soon.

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