

# MY JOURNEY TO FINANCIAL FREEDOM

## GET WELL

**1** **BUILD EMERGENCY SAVINGS**

- Build emergency and create your spending plan (find tools to help you at [Crown.org](http://Crown.org))
- Save \$1000 for emergencies
- Start giving regularly to the Lord

**2** **PAY OFF YOUR HARDEST**

- Pay off credit cards (Use the Debt Snowball Calculator at [Crown.org](http://Crown.org))
- Increase savings to live with a living wage
- Start giving to the Lord through your own gifts, talents, and money
- Start giving regularly to the Lord

**3** **PAY OFF ANY OTHER COMPLICATED DEBT**

- Pay off all remaining auto loans, student loans, etc.
- Increase savings to 3 months' living expenses
- Increase giving to the Lord's work

**4** **ADJUST YOUR PLAN**

- Adjust your spending plan accordingly
- Start saving for major purchases
- Start saving for retirement (find helpful tips at [Crown.org](http://Crown.org))
- Increase savings to 6 months' living expenses
- Revisit your life assessment and re-eval your goals

**5** **INVEST WISELY**

- Buy affordable homes
- Start preparing home ownership
- Observe investments
- Increase giving to the Lord's work

**6** **SAVE FOR THE FUTURE**

- Continue saving for major purchases and retirement
- Continue saving up to 12 months of living expenses
- Create education funds for each child
- Increase giving to the Lord's work

**7** **LEAVE A LEGACY**

- Examine your spiritual impact for the next generation
- Pay off home mortgage
- Pay down children's education fund
- Continue saving plan to enable
- Be charitable investments
- Minimize generosity

## FINISH WELL

**TRUE FINANCIAL FREEDOM**  
Experience true financial freedom as you allow God to fully and compassionately use your time, talent and resources to fulfill His purposes for your life.

**PREPARE FOR THE JOURNEY**

- Review the Welcome Section on the back of the map.
- Read the prayer on the back or say your own and prepare your heart.
- Complete the "My Life Purpose" and "My Goals" sections on the back.
- Take the MoneyLife® Indicator assessment at [ml.crown.org](http://ml.crown.org) to understand how your beliefs and behaviors relate to money.
- Make a plan for how you will celebrate when you complete each destination!
- Start giving to the work of the Lord. Giving should be a major part of our lifestyle. Look for ways to be generous with your time, talents, and money.



LIKE ANY JOURNEY, SOMETIMES YOU'LL TAKE TWO STEPS FORWARD AND ONE BACK. DON'T BE DISCOURAGED! JUST JUMP BACK ON THE PATH WHEREVER YOU ARE.



# WELCOME

## HERE'S HOW THE CROWN MONEY MAP WORKS:

Although the destinations progress in order, you may find that you've already completed parts of several destinations.

Review every destination and check off what you've already accomplished. Then, start with the first destination you've not yet finished. For example, if you haven't saved \$100 for emergencies, you'll start at Destination 1.

You'll discover that the Crown Money Map will work best when you keep it in a visible place as a daily reminder.

## ARE WE THERE YET?

There may be seasons when you wonder if you will ever make it to the next destination, much less the final destination. The faith declaration below is like the water needed to hydrate a weary hiker. It will equip you with foundational principles and encouraging scriptures to keep you going. During especially challenging seasons, you may decide to declare these truths aloud each morning as a reminder of God's sovereignty, faithfulness, and love for you.

- 1 **God owns it all.**  
Psalm 24:1
- 2 **God's way is always better than my way, so I give Him control.**  
1 Chronicles 29:11
- 3 **I am content with what God has provided.**  
Philippians 4:11b-13
- 4 **I am God's wise manager.**  
Matthew 25:21
- 5 **I am free to fulfill God's plans for my life and advance His kingdom.**  
Exodus 9:16

## CELEBRATE!

Don't forget to celebrate when you complete a destination. You've made progress! At every step of the way you'll enjoy greater financial freedom. Take time to thank the Lord for His help.

Start thinking now about how you will celebrate when you complete each destination and record your plans below.

How I will celebrate completing the destinations:

1. move date!
2. Taco Village date
3. Ax Throwing
4. Night in w/ Skis
5. ~~BBQ~~ Tonka weekend
6. Horse riding date
7. Weekend @ PRP

## MY LIFE PURPOSE

Your life purpose is similar to the nutrition in your backpack. It should help you succeed in reaching your destination of True Financial Freedom. Prayerfully consider what matters most to you in your relationship with God, your family, and your friends. Then, answer the questions below to help you stay the course when the journey gets challenging!

Identify the unique gifts, talents, and interests God has given you.  
*Baby-teacher, Patient, Kind, Tanner-SMT, Caring, Hard-working*

Based on your passions and interests, what do you think God's purpose for your life is?  
*TO shape young minds + to save lives & provide for my family*

What Bible verse/passage will inspire you to stay true to your life purpose?  
*Ex 14:14*

## MY GOALS

Although many people set goals at the beginning of the year, some of us need extra motivation to put them down on paper. Think about specific goals that will help you achieve your Life Purpose.

Write your goals below and what it will take to accomplish them. Review regularly and check them off when you reach them. Then ask God to show you the next set of goals, so you can continue making progress in the right direction.

- Service/Ministry *give 6-7%*
- Giving *"*
- Health *have healthy baby*
- Family/Friends *spend more time*
- Children *live in moment*
- Career/Skills *advance / prepare*
- Debt Reduction *0%*
- Savings *increase to 10,000*
- Spending *limited*
- Investing *continue*

**THE CROWN MONEY MAP**

**TO DO**

**ITEMS**

**MY PRAYER FOR YOU**

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