

Economic Recovery

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³³ Immediately what had been said about Nebuchadnezzar was fulfilled. He was driven away from people and ate grass like cattle. His body was drenched with the dew of heaven until his hair grew like the feathers of an eagle and his nails like the claws of a bird.

³⁴ At the end of that time, I, Nebuchadnezzar, raised my eyes toward heaven, and my sanity was restored. Then I praised the Most High; I honored and glorified him who lives forever. His dominion is an eternal dominion; his kingdom endures from generation to generation. ³⁵ All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth. No one can hold back his hand or say to him: "What have you done?" ³⁶ At the same time that my sanity was restored, my honor and splendor were returned to me for the glory of my kingdom. My advisers and nobles sought me out, and I was restored to my throne and became even greater than before. ³⁷ Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and exalt and glorify the King of heaven, because everything he does is right and all his ways are just. And those who walk in pride he is able to humble.

✓ You stand to lose all when you ignore _____
_____.

Proverbs 1:32-33 "For the waywardness of the simple will kill them, and the complacency of fools will destroy them; ³³ but whoever listens to me will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm."

✓ Financial ruin is the result of _____.

Proverbs 16:18 Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.

✓ Financial turnabouts begin when you _____.

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✓ Financial sanity brings _____.

Steps to Economic Recovery

1. Put God _____ . (Proverbs 3:9-10)

2. Live on _____ . (Proverbs 21:20)

3. Eliminate _____ . (Proverbs 22:7)

4. Get on a _____ . (Proverbs 27:23-24)

5. _____ and invest. (Proverbs 21:20)

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_____ **acknowledge God** _____.

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✓ Financial sanity brings _____ **restoration** _____.

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1. Put God _____ **first** _____. (Proverbs 3:9-10)
2. Live on _____ **your means** _____. (Proverbs 21:20)
3. Eliminate _____ **debt** _____. (Proverbs 22:7)
4. Get on a _____ **budget** _____. (Proverbs 27:23-24)
5. _____ **Save** _____ and invest. (Proverbs 21:20)