



**How To Get The Harvest You Dream of
Dreaming With Financial Clarity Part 2
(Learning From Adam and Eve)
(Genesis 1:27, NKJV)**

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Series Review

- January: Dream with a **Strategy**
- February: Dream with **Maturity**
- March: Dream with a **Plan**
- April: Dream with **Confidence**
- May: Dream with **Financial Clarity**

Big Question: How do you get the harvest that you dream of having in your life?

Big Statement: Adam and Eve understood that to have a harvest tomorrow they had to plant something today.

Review: Things I Asked You to Be Clear About Last Week

- A. You need to be clear about the best long-term **financial direction** for your future
 - B. You need to be clear about the danger of not having enough **cash reserves**
 - C. You need to be clear about the danger of long-term **debt payments**
 - D. You need to be clear about your **survivability** (What happens when the winter comes?)
 - E. **The Power of Planning and Investing In You** (You are now living in the future you prepared)
- 6 Go to the **ant**, you **sluggard**! Consider her **ways** and be wise, 7 Which, having **no captain, Overseer or ruler**, 8 Provides her supplies in the **summer**, And gathers her food in the **harvest**.
- F. The Pain of Being too Slow to Prepare**
- 9 How long will you slumber, O **sluggard**? When will you rise from your sleep? 10 A little sleep, a little slumber, A little folding of the hands to sleep—11 So shall your **poverty** come on you like a prowler, And your need like an armed man.

Note: This is not saying poor people are lazy. It is saying what will happen to lazy people eventually.

God's Big Plans For Adam and Eve

- 1. God wanted them to advance in life (Be fruitful, multiply, subdue the earth, and have dominion)**
 - **Genesis 1:27–28 (NKJV):** 27 So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. 28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be **fruitful** and **multiply**; fill the earth and **subdue it**; have **dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”
- 2. God wanted them to take care of the garden (They were stewards of the garden)**
 - **Genesis 2:15–17 (NKJV):** 15 Then the Lord God **took the man and put him in** the garden of Eden to **tend and keep it**. 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, “Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”



3. God wanted them to name every living thing in the garden (cp. Genesis 5:1-2)

- **Genesis 2:19–20** (NKJV): 19 Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, **and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them.** And **whatever** Adam called each living creature, **that was its name.** 20 So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him.
- Be **fruitful** in the earth (You must plant if you want to eat)
- **Multiply** in the earth (Have children and create a **generational influence**, i.e. Jesus and Paul)
- **Subdue** the earth (Learn and become educated)
- **Take Dominion** (Take without fear)

Closing: Questions

1. What is your family doing to prepare for the future? (Will you tend and keep your garden, Gen. 2:15)
2. How much will your family invest now to protect themselves in the future? (Will you take dominion?)

Next Time: Learning from Noah and his Family

Question: Can God get you to generously invest in a project for potentially close to 100 years?

- Noah began to have children when he was 500 years old. (Genesis 5:32)
- He was on the ark when he was 600 years old. (Genesis 7:6)
 - This means it took him less than 100 years to build the ark.