

**The Bling! Factor:
Slaying the Debt Dragon
Bling-o-nomics – Part 1
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How to RAISE a Dragon that Will BLAZE You!

- **Stir Up the Desire to ACQUIRE...**
Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For everything in the world--the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does--comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever. 1 John 2:14-16

Beware the Black Hole of ADVERTISING...

- **Live The BLING! Thing**
Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless. Ecclesiastes 5:10

There's No Such Thing as a FREE LUNCH...

- **Face the Threat of DEBT...**
The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender. Proverbs 22:7

Putting the Debt Dragon to DEATH...

- **Deal with ROOT Issues...**

Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." Luke 12:15

- **Know Where You STAND...**
Be sure you know the condition of your flocks, give careful attention to your herds; for riches do not endure forever, and a crown is not secure for all generations. Proverbs 27:23-24
- **Extend Your EARNING Potential**
*Lazy hands make a man poor, but diligent hands bring wealth. Proverbs 10:4
All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty. Proverbs 14:23*
- **Limit Your SPENDING Reality: Avoid FOOLISH Debt**
The wicked borrow and do not repay, but the righteous give generously... Psalm 37:21
- **Limit Your LIFESTYLE Reality: SIMPLIFY!**
Do not wear yourself out to get rich; have the wisdom to show restraint. Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone, for they will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle. Proverbs 23:4-5
- **Extend Your GENEROSITY Potential**
He who is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will reward him for what he has done. Proverbs 19:17

Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. Proverbs 3:9-10