

RCCG Sunday School Teachers Manual Lesson 33: 13 April 2025

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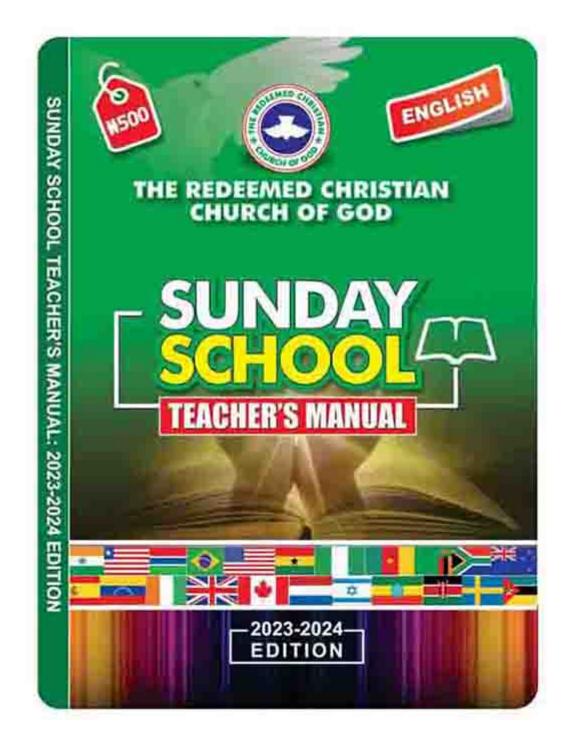
This is RCCG Sunday School Teachers manual for the adult class.

Today's Lesson 33 topic: FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE.

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## RCCG SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MANUAL LESSON 33 (13 APRIL 2025)

### **TOPIC: FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE**

Note: Check RCCG SUNDAY SCHOOL HYMN LYRICS

#### **OPENING PRAYER:**

Father, please open my eyes to the provisions You have made for me in Christ Jesus.

#### PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE:

The teacher should allow the assistant teacher to review the lesson for the previous week.

## **BIBLE READING**

#### BIBLE PASSAGE: Genesis 26:12-16

12 Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the Lord blessed him.

13 And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great:

14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him.

15 For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.

16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we.

#### MEMORY VERSE:

"But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day." **Deuteronomy. 8:18.** 

# **LESSON INTRODUCTION**

There has been so much instability in recent times and it looks like a whole lot of things are becoming unattainable, especially in the area of finance. Dwindling economic realities around the world make it more difficult to believe that financial independence exists, given the rate at which companies fold up, the rate of inflation, and exchange rate vulnerability, just to mention but a few.

In this lesson, we will look at what financial independence is, how it relates to us as Christians, and the practical steps we can take to attain it.

## **TEACHER'S DIARY**

#### **LESSON AIM:**

To teach the students how to become financially independent

### **TEACHING OBJECTIVES:**

Through this study, students are expected to:

- Know the meaning of financial independence.
- Understand believers' approach to financial independence.
- Learn how to attain financial independence.

#### **TEACHING PLAN:**

To achieve the above-stated objectives, the teacher should:

- 1. Allow the students to recite the memory verse, read the Bible passage, contribute to the discussion; and do class activities and the assignment.
- 2. Allow the Assistant Teacher to see to the well-being of the class, and mark attendance and assignment.
- 3. Teach the lesson outline, summarise, conclude, evaluate the lesson and give an assignment.

#### **TEXT REVIEW: Genesis 26:12-16**

The teacher should mention definite actions Isaac took in Gerar and the attendant results according to the scripture above.

i. ... ii. ... iii. ... iv. .... v. ...

#### **TEACHING METHOD:**

Lecture Method

#### TIME MANAGEMENT:

The teacher should apply the two-lesson outline teaching time.

## **LESSON OUTLINE 1: FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE DEFINED**

A. Financial independence is:

i. An act of being financially sufficient.

ii. It means having abundant income, savings, or investments to last a lifetime without necessarily waiting to be paid by someone else at the end of the month.

iii. It is being able to attend to your needs conveniently without regrets while preparing for "tomorrow."

B. Financial independence is not:

i. Starvation – To save money.

ii. The inability to attend to today's needs just to provide for tomorrow.

iii. It is not being stingy or lacking the ability to be compassionate and do good to others.

iv. It is also not to love money like Achan or Judas (Joshua 7:20-21; John 12:4-6).

### **CLASS ACTIVITY 1:**

Are there dangers embedded in starving oneself to be financially independent?

# **LESSON OUTLINE 2: ATTAINING FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE**

- 1. A lot of people today either borrow to survive or wait on a pay check from their employer before any financial decision or action is taken over their well-being and that of their family.
- 2. It is important to know that God has a financial plan for us as His children and He does not want us to be poor (3 John 1:2a).
- 3. For instance, Abraham and Isaac trusted God and were financially independent (Genesis 24:1, 35;

26: 12-16).

- 4. Believers can attain financial independence through the under listed:
  - i. By looking unto God to empower them to do the needful to get wealth (Deuteronomy 8:18).
  - $\circ\,$  ii. We should depend on the Holy Spirit for inspiration and direction (Job 32:8).
  - iii. We should pay/give generously tithe, offerings, seed sowing, etc. (Malachi 3:10-12: 2Corinthians
  - **9:6-7**).
  - iv. It is important to work towards having multiple
  - streams of income (Isaiah 60:11).
  - v. We should invest and not just save (Luke 19:16-
  - 1Z).
  - vi. Make every effort to eliminate or avoid debt
  - (Proverbs 22:7).
  - vii. Be intentional in acquiring financial knowledge. vili. Be wise, diligent, and prudent (Proverbs 12:24).

#### **CLASS ACTIVITY 2:**

What are your financial projections for the next five years?

## CONCLUSION: RCCG Sunday School Teachers Manual Lesson 33

Financial independence is possible for a Christian but you have a role to play in attaining it.

### EVALUATION:

Students should define financial independence in their own words and also mention five things they need to do to attain financial independence.

### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

Father, I refuse to be poor in Jesus' name.

# **ASSIGNMENT:** Lesson 33

Mention five (5) Bible characters that were financially independent (2×5=10 Marks).

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