



THE MAKING ENDS MEET MAP

Over the course of this study, you've learned and applied God's word on finances. Now it's time to look at how we map all of this out. That's where the Making Ends Meet Map comes in.

The Map has nine steps, and each step will help you set goals for your financial journey.



STEP ONE *Starting Well*

Begin your journey of learning and applying God's way of handling money.

Commit to multiply what you learn by sharing it with others during all steps of your journey.



Once you finish one of the steps, move on to the next one. All the steps are coordinated with a chapter in this workbook. So, if you are on Step 3 and need to look for additional tools or resources for this step, simply review Chapter 3 in your workbook. If you are on Step 5, go to Chapter 5 and so on.

One important thing to remember throughout this journey is to seek advice along the way. Don't be afraid to ask for help if you are unsure about something or feel the challenge is too great. Take full advantage of your Advisors Worksheet from Chapter 2 whenever some guidance might be encouraging.

And finally, remember that this isn't a race: it's a journey. Be patient and trust in God's provision and timing. And celebrate the victories along the way!



STEP TWO

Open Bank Accounts

If you don't already have a bank account, open a checking account and a savings account.



STEP THREE

Give, Save & Invest

If you haven't already done so, identify where you want to give and how much.

Begin saving \$1000 for an Emergency Fund.

After reaching your emergency fund goal, determine how much to invest and where to invest it.



STEP FOUR *Family*

Get a Will.

Decide on a Health Insurance Plan.



STEP FIVE *Credit Score*



Find Your Credit Score.

If needed, take the necessary steps to begin improving your credit score.

STEP SIX *Work*



If looking for a job, build a resume and begin preparing for job interviews.

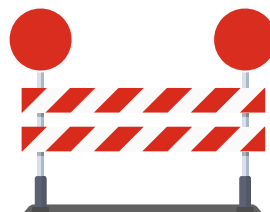
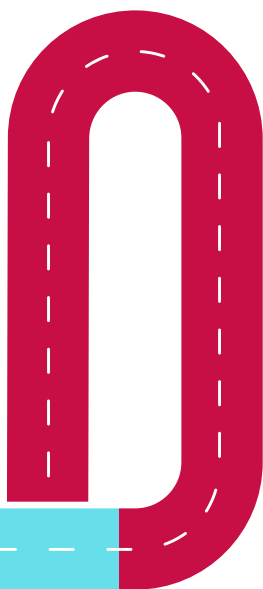
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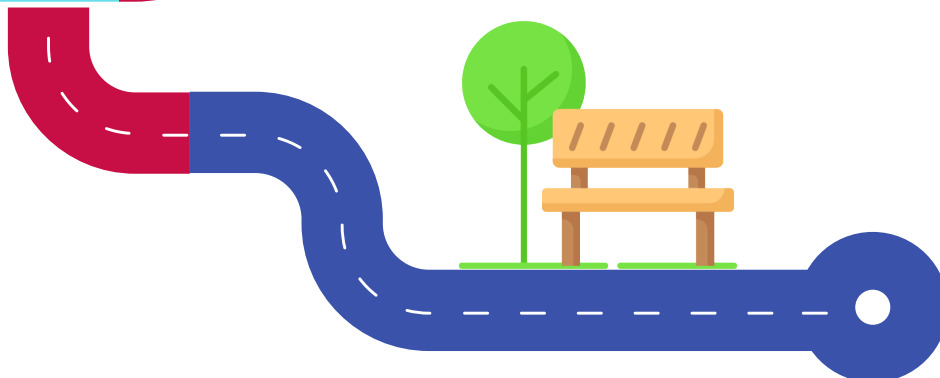
STEP SEVEN *Planning*

Begin the process of building your simplified budget.



STEP EIGHT *Avoid Roadblocks*

Be aware of scams and debt that can throw you off course.



STEP NINE *Finish Well*

Continue to learn, apply and multiply God's way of handling money so that you may one day hear, "Well done, good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of your master."