

DEBT

2 Kings 4:1-7 (NKJV)

¹ A certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha, saying, “Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared the LORD. And the creditor is coming to take my two sons to be his slaves.” ² So Elisha said to her, “What shall I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in the house?” And she said, “Your maidservant has nothing in the house but a jar of oil.” ³ Then he said, “Go, borrow vessels from everywhere, from all your neighbors – empty vessels; do not gather just a few.” ⁴ And when you have come in, you shall shut the door behind you and your sons; then pour it into all those vessels, and set aside the full ones.” ⁵ So she went from him and shut the door behind her and her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured it out. ⁶ Now it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said to her son, “Bring me another vessel.” And he said to her, “There is not another vessel.” So the oil ceased. ⁷ Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, “Go, sell the oil and pay your debt; and you and your sons live on the rest.”

Nehemiah 5:3 (NKJV)

³ Others were saying, “We are mortgaging our fields, our vineyards and our homes to get grain during the famine.”

Matthew 18:23-27 (AMP)

²³ Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a human king who wished to settle accounts with his attendants. ²⁴ When he began the accounting, one was brought to him who owed him 10,000 talents [probably about \$10,000,000], ²⁵ And because he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and everything that he possessed, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the attendant fell on his knees, begging him, Have patience with me and I will pay you everything. ²⁷ And his master’s heart was moved with compassion, and he released him and forgave him [cancelling] the debt.

Romans 13:7-8 (CEV)

⁷ Pay all that you owe, whether it is taxes and fees or respect and honor. ⁸ Let love be your only debt! If you love others, you have done all that the Law demands.

Philemon 18-19 (NIV)

¹⁸ If he has done you any wrong or owes you anything, charge it to me. ¹⁹ I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand. I will pay it back – not to mention that you owe me your very self.