

THE LAW OF THE ANT

Ants are wiser than people.

Proverbs 6:6-11

Ants are wiser than people. People are inconsistent in their ways. People waver in their actions. People have proven to be untrustworthy. However, the ant is different.

The ant **IS** consistent. The ant is **DEPENDABLE**. You trust the ant to do what is needed in every season. Proverbs 6:6-11 says, "*Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.*

How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man."

In the scripture above there is a distinct difference between the ant and people. Even though the ant emulates the characteristics of people, the ant is extremely **CONSISTENT!**

Ants **DO NOT** need a guide, overseer or ruler. In other words they are...

- Self directed
- Responsible
- Self led
- Self sufficient
- Visionary's
- Self governed
- Proactive
- Assertive
- Aggressive to do what is right
- Focused
- Determined
- Highly motivated

You know people who are like this. However, how many people do you know who are **CONSISTENT** with these attributes? Very few, most likely. This is why our Constitution (Bible) teaches us to consider the ant's ways.

Ants are **NOT** lazy. They cannot afford to be lazy. However, people have the tendency to be lazy. They may work hard for three days and become lazy for four. This is inconsistent. You cannot progress being **INCONSISTENT**. You cannot achieve success being **INCONSISTENT**.

IF YOU ARE INCONSISTENT YOU WILL TAKE ONE STEP FORWARD AND TWO STEPS BACK.

Laziness is the seed that will produce the fruit of poverty. Nothing comes to a lazy person except excuses. Adopting the ant's posture is the wise way to achieve financial security, abundance and stability.

Becoming financially secure takes **WORK!** It takes work to stay out of debt. It takes work to build a home for your

family. It takes work to establish a financially healthy portfolio. It takes work to build a comfortable savings account.

The ant never sleeps. He is always on guard. He is always looking for ways to do better. You should be thinking in that same regard. Learn to be content with what you have without settling in your ways. There is a difference!

CONTENTMENT IS NOT SETTLING

Contentment is **ENJOYING** where you are. Settling is **NOT** wanting to move from where you are. God wants you to be content in everything you do. However, He does not want you to settle.

If you are making a good salary, enjoy it. However, keep striving to make more. **CONTINUE** to make yourself more marketable. **CONTINUE** to develop yourself so you can add more value. **CONTINUE** to increase your knowledge so you can become more useful.

People who settle, eventually deteriorate. To stay in the same place for an overly extended time is unhealthy. The Lord encourages **GROWTH!** Think about it. In this world we deal with financial inflation.

If you do not make more money as the times change, the times will change how you live. This is why you cannot afford to settle. You have to keep moving like the ant. Contented, yet unsettled.

Adopting the ant's ways will keep you ahead financially. It will keep you abundant in times of inflation. It will keep you wealthy in times of crisis. Ants are successful because they honor the law of being **CONSISTENT**. You should do the same.

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