

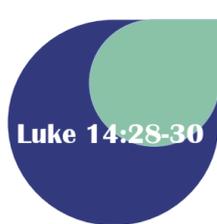
# Beyond the Basics

## 5 Beyond Basic Financial Strategies For Living in Step

Couples marrying for the second time likely do so with greater assets, obligations, and independent financial goals. Merging these into a cohesive plan that works for both, as well as determining how to split household finances, divide assets in estate plans, and more, add additional fodder for conflict in one of the top issues couples already fight about. Financial cooperation is imperative to a successful marriage. With understanding, humility, knowledge and the Holy Spirit, you can have it.

# 1

**COMPLETE MONEY HONESTY ALWAYS!**



**For which of you, intending To build a tower Does not sit down first And count the cost**

**39% of couples regard finances as a primary reason for conflict. 54% regard it as secondary**

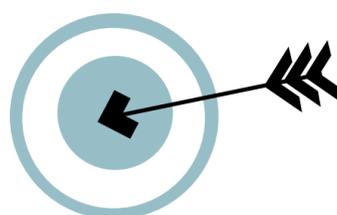


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### MIX AND MATCH SHAPES

# 2

**SEEK EXPERTS**



**YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW**

**Without counsel plans fail, but with many advisers they succeed. Pro. 15:22**

# 3

**DEVELOP AN ESTATE & LONG TERM CARE PLAN**

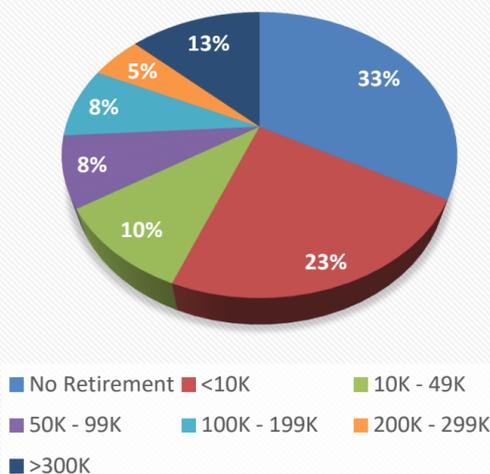


**The plans of the diligent lead surely to plenty, But those of everyone who is hasty, surely to poverty. Proverbs 21:5**



**SET YOUR RECORDS STRAIGHT**

### Current Retirement Savings



**Over half of American have less than 10K saved for retirement.**



# 5

**LIVE WITH BREATHING ROOM**

**Becoming debt-free, diligently saving, and living beneath our means, will give us much needed breathing room so that we are prepared for "predictable unforeseens."**

**I WANT ONE**

**BE CONTENT**

**Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.**

**Hebrews 13:5**

**WE HAVE CHRIST...WHAT MORE DO WE NEED REALLY!**

May this resource help you and your special guy live in financial cooperation and prepare for an awesome future.