

EMOTIONAL BANK ACCOUNT – Part 4
Situations Where Disciples Make Positive Withdrawals From People
12/4/24

- Tonight – Opportunity to give a Bible study
 - Comment – I will continue with my series about the “Emotional Bank Account”
 - Tonight’s title – “Emotional Bank Account – Part 4”
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- In the first 3 presentations in this series – we focused upon God’s involvement in our lives
- Tonight – we are going to focus upon our situations where WE make positive withdrawals from Emotional Bank Accounts

Part 1 Subtitle – “Father and Son Make Deposits Into Your Emotional Bank Account”

Part 2 Subtitle – “God Made Positive Withdrawals From Christ’s Emotional Bank Account”

Part 3 Subtitle – “God Makes Positive Withdrawals From Disciples’ Emotional Bank Accounts”

Part 4 Subtitle – “Situations Where Disciples Make Positive Withdrawals From People”

- Let’s notice the reminder from Stephen Covey

Stephen Covey wrote about “the Emotional Bank Account” in his book “The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People.” Following are some excerpts.

On page 188, Covey wrote: “We all know what a financial bank account is. We make deposits into it and build up a reserve from which we can make withdrawals when we need it. An Emotional Bank Account is a metaphor that describes the amount of trust that’s been built up in a relationship. It’s the feeling of safeness you have with another human being.

“If I make deposits into an Emotional Bank Account with you through courtesy, kindness, honesty, and keeping my commitments to you, I build up a reserve. Your trust toward me becomes higher, and I call upon that trust many times if I need to. I can even make mistakes and that trust level (that emotional reserve) will compensate for it.”

- The main times to make positive withdrawals – involve 3 areas of relationships
 - Marriage
 - Parenting
 - Employment
- 1. Marriage – obvious deposits and occasional withdrawals

Eph. 5:21	submitting to one another in the fear of God (deposits & withdrawals)
22-24	wives “submit” (“respect”) – (deposits & withdrawals)
25-31	husbands “love” – (deposits & withdrawals)
32-33	love (as himself) and respect
1 Cor. 7:3	let the husband render affection due her to her – let the wife render affection due to him – (deposits & withdrawals)
4-5	shared responsibility – shared decision-making
6-9	Paul’s opinion – “concession, not as a commandment”
10-11	Paul reminded what the Lord commanded
12-16	to the rest, Paul’s opinion (I say, not the Lord says)
2. Parenting – obvious deposits & timely withdrawals	
Eph. 6:1-3	children are expected to obey
4	parents are expected – to lead – (leading involves deposits & withdrawals)
Heb. 12:5-11	properly correcting a child = timely withdrawal (of comfort or privileges) – positive withdrawals from a child = an action of love
Mark 7:9-13	properly helping an elderly parent = timely withdrawal of privileges – positive withdrawals from elderly parents = an action of love
3. Employment – obvious deposits & timely withdrawals	
Eph. 6:5-8	being a good employee – employees are expected to be obedient
9	being a good boss – bosses are expected to lead – (leading involves deposits & withdrawals) – “give up threatening”
Col. 4:1	masters – give your bond-servants what is just and fair

· General reminders

Eccles. 3:1	to everything, there is a season – a time for every purpose under heaven
2-8	many examples

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- Concepts to consider – in upcoming presentations
 - I intend to give some Christian-living instructions in this series – to help you
 - Help you – make deposits in the lives of other people
 - Treating people well = making deposits
 - Help you – deal with negative withdrawals that people make toward you
 - Handle adversity well = dealing with negative withdrawals