

# THE SECRETS TO FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE AND RETIRING EARLY

in KENYA



#### Let's get the secret sauce out of the way first





# THE SECRET SAUCE TO FINANCIAL INDEPENCE IS QUITE SIMPLE...

YOURSELF ++ TIME

+++ LOTS OF discipline





#### Let's start off with SOME HOUSE RULES

• This session is for you





## That's the problem with life

"Things are not quite so simple always as Black and White."

- DORIS LESSING



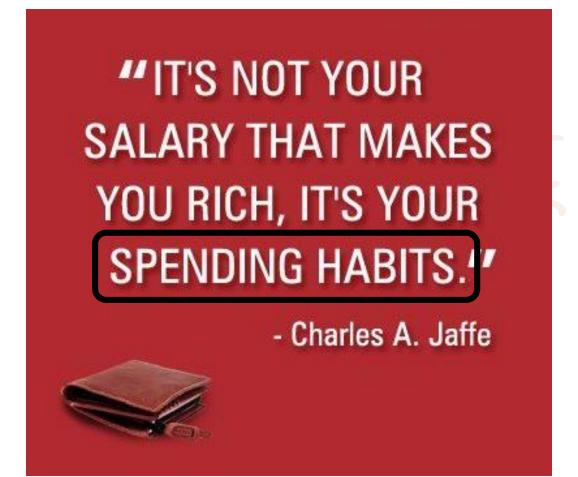


## YOURSELF

**CONCEPT #1** 



### **WISE QUOTE**







# We've all heard the advice So why is it so hard to save more and spend less?







## QUITE SIMPLY...





## WE SUFFER FROM PEER PRESSURE, CONSUMERISM, ACCESS TO CREDIT









#### **BUSINESS DAILY**

CAPITAL MARKETS

Fuliza loans hit Sh1bn daily during Covid era

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## THERE ARE ALSO DEEPER REASONS... SPENDING MONEY MAKES US HAPPY, SAVING DOES NOT







Disregard the gender choice ©



#### FINANCIAL GOALS TAKE A LONG TIME TO ACHIEVE



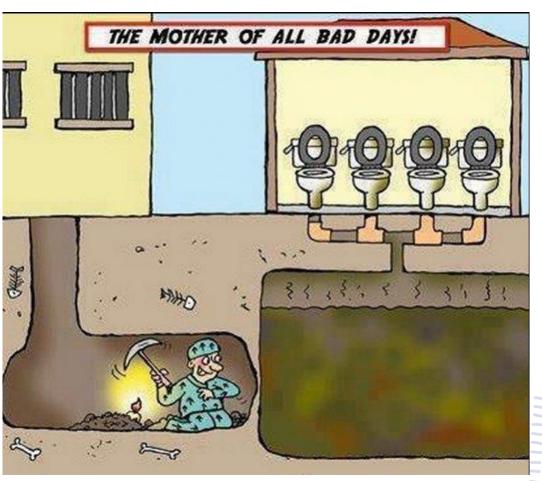






#### **LIFE ALWAYS HAPPENS**







## THE BEST THING WE CAN DO IS TO BE

PREPARED

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#### Let's MAKE FUN while SAVING

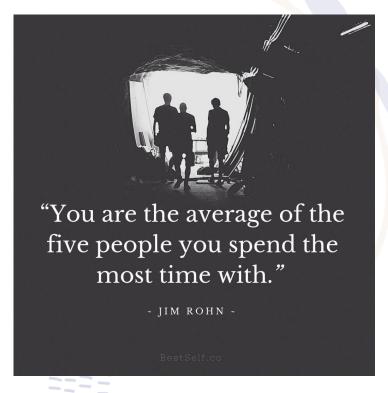
SPEND TIME, NOT MONEY

Art DIY Music/Movies Writing Bike Riding Drawing Photography Volunteering Be a mentor Running All day fun for cheap!

REMIND YOURSELF WHY YOU'RE DOING IT



SURROUND YOURSELF WITH LIKE-MINDED PEOPLE





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### A JOURNEY OF A THOUSAND STEPS...

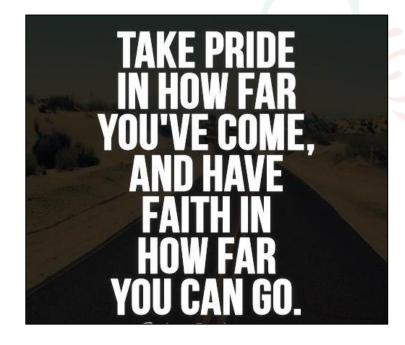
**FOCUS ON MICRO-GOALS** 

LOOK AT THE CHANGE YOU'VE MADE

REWARD YOURSELF Carefully



To save a million, it is the first 10,000 that counts!





On achieving your micro goals



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#### LIFE HAPPENS...

#### TAKE OUT RISKS



#### Take the road less traveled

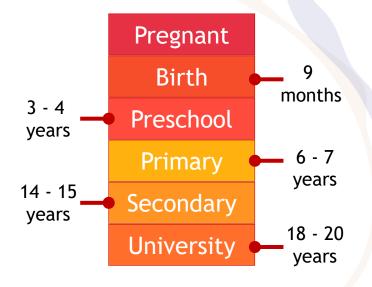
☐ Don't be ashamed to carry lunch / not have a car

#### **BUILD AN EMERGENCY FUND**



3 - 6 months survival account

#### PLAN FOR THE FUTURE



#### Apply same for other events

- ☐ Tires wear out
- ☐ Health issues happen
- Death happens



Beware of little expenses;

a small leak
will sink
a great ship.









# TIME CONCEPT #2



# THE 3 WATCHOUTS TOWARDS FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE

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MANAGE EXPENSES AND CREATE SAVINGS 2

MANAGE DEBT EFFICIENTLY 3

GET MORE
INCOME
SOURCES



#### LET'S GET STARTED



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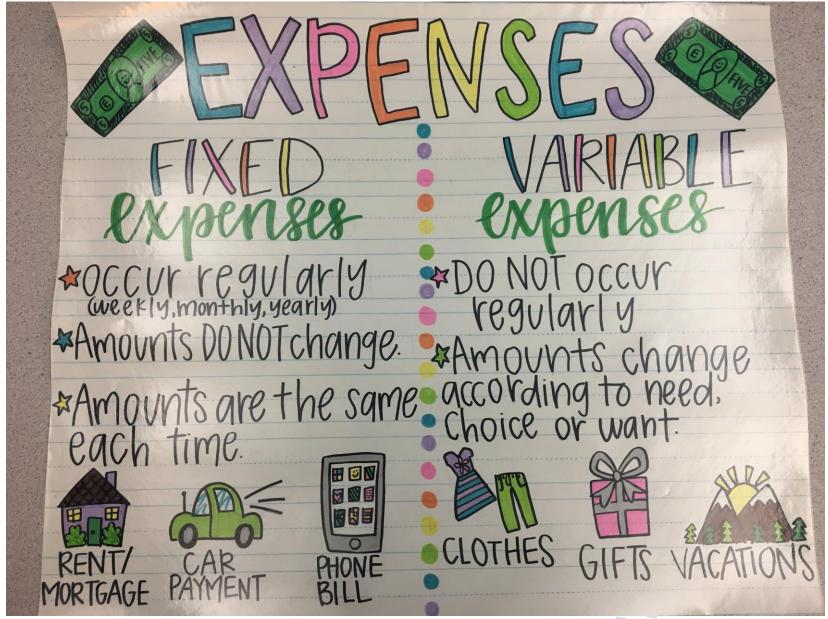
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GET MORE INCOME SOURCES





- ☐ Rent
- ☐ Loans/Mortgage
- ☐ Car Insurance
- □ School fees
- Water
- □ Electricity



- ☐ Clothes
- ☐ Gifts
- ☐ Black Tax
- ☐ Salon/Spa
- □ DSTV



## Plan for where your money should go

"A budget
is telling your money
where to go
instead of wondering
where it went."

Dave Ramsey

ltem	Percentage
Savings	10% (minimum)
Everything else	90% (maximum)

- ☐ Allocate money for necessities
- ☐ Separate needs and wants
- ☐ Put your plan into action
- ☐ Plan for seasonal expenses (divide by how long you have to save)
- ☐ Use financial instruments e.g. Money Market



#### What if I can't save 10% now?



- Make a plan...
- Start with whatever small amount you can put aside today
- Increase it as you clear your obligations / get more income
- Save any bonuses / commissions / windfalls



## ON TO THE NEXT ONE...



MANAGE **EXPENSES AND** CREATE **SAVINGS** 

MANAGE DEBT **EFFICIENTLY** 

**GET MORE** INCOME **SOURCES** 





## Debt is pulling future expenses to today

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At 1% daily interest, means Safaricom is making KES 10 million daily



## Always aim to have good debt only

#### **GOOD DEBT**



Land / Mortgage



Education



**Business** 



Investing

- ☐ Helps you grow in value
- ☐ Is within your budget
- ☐ Low interest rate

#### **BAD DEBT**



Car



Credit card



Mobile loans

- ☐ Funds lifestyle
- ☐ To fill expenses gap
- ☐ Unplanned and not within budget
- Backed by depreciating asset



Cash advance / Quick loans

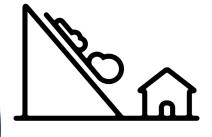


## Build your plan to clear your debts in next 3 years Increase your loan repayments

#### AVALANCHE METHOD

Pay off debt with highest interest rate first

1. Credit card debt at 1.5% monthly (19.5% annual)



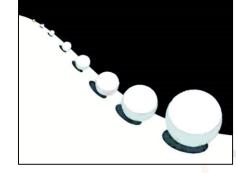
- 2. Mobile loan at 3% monthly (42.5% annual)
- 3. Car loan at 14% annual

Pay off sequence - 2, 1, 3



Pay off based on size of the loan

- 1. Credit card loan 10k @1.5% monthly interest
- 2. Mobile loan 50k at 3% monthly interest
- 3. Car loan 100k at 14% interest annually



Pay off sequence - 1, 2, 3



#### **FACTORS TO CONSIDER**

- ☐ Interest exposure
- ☐ Time value of money





## ON TO THE LAST ONE...



MANAGE
EXPENSES AND
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MANAGE DEBT EFFICIENTLY 3

GET MORE INCOME SOURCES





### Man shall not live on bread alone



- 1. Telecommunication Calls / SMS / Data
- 2. Phone & accessories sales
- 3. Fiber to the home
- 4. M-Pesa
- 5. Partnerships Fuliza, M-Shwari



- 1. Banking Fees / Loans / Investment
- 2. Investing in businesses (KCB Biashara Club, KCB Lion's Den, etc.)
- 3. Mobile loans Fuliza, KCB M-Pesa



What about you?

- ☐ Salary only?
- ☐ Business only?
- ☐ Farming only?



## Expand your income sources

#### **ACTIVE INCOME**



#### Earned income

- 1. From your job
- 2. From selling your time

Salary

**Bonuses** 

Consultation

**Commissions** 

**Profits** 

**Farming** 





#### PASSIVE INCOME



**Profit income**From buying and selling



Rental income
From renting out property



**Dividend income**From owning stocks



Interest income
From lending money or investing

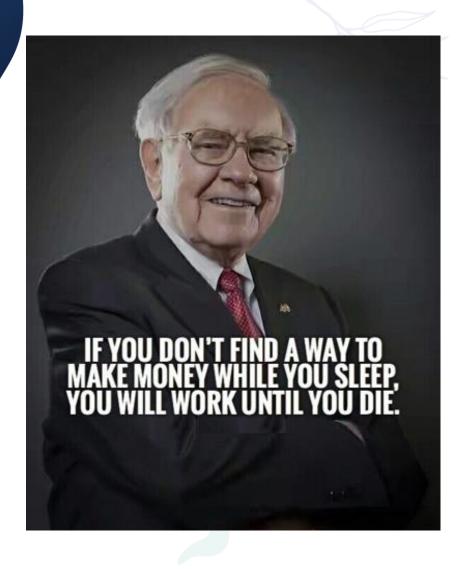


CAPITAL GAIN

Capital gains
When assets increase in value



### Find a way to make money while you sleep



- Finding your right balance takes time...
- Start something now... give it time to grow
- Don't fuss on perfecting the plans, just find ways to get started now
- Preferably on something that doesn't require capital - less risk



## But how do I expand my income sources?







Start with active income and over time, convert to passive income

If you have a salary / other source, invest your additional income to grow your savings





## LOTS OF DISCIPLINE

**CONCEPT #3** 



Self discipline is when your conscience tells you to do something and you don't talk back.

(W. K. Hope)





## 2 simple ways for self-discipline





If you have the money sitting around, you'll definitely spend it.

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What if you didn't go out every weekend?

What if you brought lunch to the office?



#### **AUTOMATE YOUR CASH**



Reduce your money to a level where it stops driving your decisions

• Understand your money cycle

5<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>

28<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>

25<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>

+ or - a few days

 Pay all fixed expenses immediately even if you're paying early, there is no harm Remember to account for occasional expenses - school fees, insurance, etc.

 Put all excess cash away from reach preferably an interest earning savings account with limited access
 e.g. money market fund, fixed deposit, etc.



#### **AUTOMATE YOUR SAVINGS**



Watch your savings grow...

Set targets and reward yourself for each achievement

#### · Build an emergency fund

- What if you fell sick today?
- What if you got an accident?
- What if your tyre burst?
- What if Magoha gives you 3 days notice to go back to school?
- What if your employer gave you a pay cut?

#### Build a 'screw you' fund

- 3 6 months worth of expenses
- If your employer moves you to another town
- If your employer lays you off?

#### Build a retirement fund

- Start saving up for retirement
- NSSF will never be enough!



## Find your what ifs... and action them



Review your variable expenses or capital expenses.

- Evaluate whether they are needs or wants
- Be practical and honest to yourself
  - What if you didn't buy a new TV?
  - What if you ate out just once a week?
  - What if you drove to work less often?
  - What if you carpooled?



# The aim is not to live a poor man/woman's life, but to be practical



## PERSONAL FINANCIAL FREEDOM

4-week evening course



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