

‘Investment Preacher’ Helps Believers Align Finances With Faith

Pastor Anthony Wright had quite a shock when he realized his financial walk wasn't matching his spiritual talk.

“About two years ago, I had a life-changing event,” Wright tells podcast host Chris Johnson on *Charisma Connection*. “And up until that point, I had been just like every other financial adviser across America. I went to an event where they were talking about faith-based investing, and so they asked me to give them my portfolio and allow them to run my own personal portfolio. And when I did, I was an ordained minister and I was preaching pro-life, I was preaching marriage between man and woman, and here all of a sudden, they screen my stocks, and I end up being 83% funding abortions, pornography and same-sex marriage. So the very thing that I was preaching from the pulpit, I was not doing with my money.”

This realization brought Wright to tears.

“I felt like such a hypocrite because my walk wasn't matching my talk,” says Wright, president and CEO of Retirement Specialty Group, a company based in Cookeville, Tennessee, with multiple satellite offices.

Now known as the “Investment Preacher,” Wright has built several highly successful businesses and was senior/lead pastor at Faith in the Word Church in Gatlinburg, Tennessee.

Today, faith is “the everything of our business,” Wright says. “We do every Monday morning prayer and Bible study. There are several times throughout the week. We will have prayer with our clients on the phone with them. I have a nationwide radio program on Sirius XM channel 131, and I get a lot of calls

from around the nation. A lot of times, yes, I'm able to help them with getting their stocks lined up with their beliefs and making their walk match their talk, but there are a lot of times they just need somebody to pray with. There are a lot of times they just need spiritual counseling, and so that is just as big a part of our company as faith-based investing and helping them get their funds in the right places."

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