

## Questions Great Financial Advisors Ask And Investors Need To

Selling is as old as civilization itself. Put in the simplest of terms, selling is the exchange of goods and services for something of value. To financial advisors, however, the sale is often seen in a negative light, and many cringe at the word "sell." Interestingly, the same advisors who shy away from the concept of selling are often those who find themselves selling every single day! Sometimes they're even participating in the selling process multiple times throughout the day--and they may not realize it. Asking for client referrals, developing strategic alliances, seeking and talking with new prospects are all obvious parts of the selling process, but selling happens every time you remind a client why it's a good choice to do business with you, too. The fact is that most CFAs(R), CFPs(R), CPAs, and other professionals did not obtain these titles because deep down they really wanted to be in sales. Most times, their interests tend more toward data, analysis, and more solitary orientations. Selling is probably the last thing those who entered these fields were thinking of doing. They may not have considered the "people" aspect of their chosen profession; the aspect that involves sales. For this reason, and some others, turning into a salesperson seems like a negative, degrading thing. Many advisors will conjure up the picture of the slimy used-car sales guy. It's time to recognize selling as the valuable activity that it is. It is a way to: Let people know who you are and what you do well. Get your message out to those who need it. Promote your planning process, wealth management services, or investment expertise. Use your relationship skills to close new business. Take your business to the next level. If you want to grow your business, the bottom line is that you--or someone on your team--need to sell, and to sell well. This book will offer guidance on how you can sell in a comfortable and effective manner.

The financial services industry offers enormous opportunities for financial advisors who are determined to build highly profitable businesses while serving their clients well. Despite this potential, many advisors never achieve the kind of success they have always wanted. *Breaking Through* provides a clear road map for these financial advisors. Leveraging extensive empirical research and the authors' combined decades of experience in the financial services industry; the book presents a comprehensive set of proven business-building strategies. Advisors will first learn how to build a thriving wealth management practice by focusing on the right affluent clients and next implementing a consultative process that will delight and keep those clients for life. They will then learn how to build on this foundation through systematic asset- and client-acquisition techniques, effective strategic alliances with other professional advisors, and sound business management principles. Engaging, informative and thoroughly practical, *Breaking Through* will serve as a valuable guide to financial advisors seeking to take their businesses to a new and dramatically higher level of success.

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Drawing upon Howard Lashner's more than two decades of success in the financial services industry, *10 Common Mistakes Financial Advisors Make & Simple Ideas to Avoid Them* demonstrates that what many advisors consider standard operating procedures are really missed opportunities to build better, longer-lasting client relationships. Using real-world client experiences, as well as his own, Lashner focuses on eliminating mistakes that keep financial advisors from delivering the highest-level client experience possible, and from expanding their business and client roster. The result is his philosophy on how to work with clients, and a plan of action you can implement to create a personalized client experience.

*Exploring the Human Element of Financial Planning Communication Essentials for Financial Planners* tackles the counseling side of practice

to help financial planners build more productive client relationships. CFP Board's third book and first in the Financial Planning Series, *Communication Essentials* will help you learn how to relate to clients on a more fundamental level, and go beyond "hearing" their words to really listen and ultimately respond to what they're saying. Expert coverage of body language, active listening, linguistic signals, and more, all based upon academic theory. There is also an accompanied set of videos that showcase both good and bad communication and counseling within a financial planning context. By merging written and experiential learning supplemented by practice assignments, this book provides an ideal resource for any client-facing financial professional as well as any student on their pathway to CFP® certification. Counseling is a central part of a financial planner's practice, and attention to interpersonal communication goes a long way toward progressing in the field; this guide provides practical instruction on the proven techniques that make a good financial planner great. Build client relationships based on honesty and trust Learn to read body language and the words not spoken Master the art of active listening to help your clients feel heard Tailor your communications to suit the individual client's needs The modern financial planning practice is more than just mathematics and statistical analysis—at its heart, it is based on trust, communication, and commitment. While interpersonal skills have always been a critical ingredient for success, only recently has this aspect been given the weight it deserves with its incorporation into the certification process. *Communication Essentials for Financial Planners* provides gold-standard guidance for certification and beyond.

"A deeply curious and evenhanded report on our national appetites." --The New York Times In the tradition of *Fast Food Nation* and *The Omnivore's Dilemma*, an extraordinary investigation into the human lives at the heart of the American grocery store The miracle of the supermarket has never been more apparent. Like the doctors and nurses who care for the sick, suddenly the men and women who stock our shelves and operate our warehouses are understood as 'essential' workers, providing a quality of life we all too easily take for granted. But the sad truth is that the grocery industry has been failing these workers for decades. In this page-turning expose, author Benjamin Lorr pulls back the curtain on the highly secretive grocery industry. Combining deep sourcing, immersive reporting, and sharp, often laugh-out-loud prose, Lorr leads a wild investigation, asking what does it take to run a supermarket? How does our food get on the shelves? And who suffers for our increasing demands for convenience and efficiency? In this journey:

- We learn the secrets of Trader Joe's success from Trader Joe himself
- Drive with truckers caught in a job they call "sharecropping on wheels"
- Break into industrial farms with activists to learn what it takes for a product to earn certification labels like "fair trade" and "free range"
- Follow entrepreneurs as they fight for shelf space, learning essential tips, tricks, and traps for any new food business
- Journey with migrants to examine shocking forced labor practices through their eyes

The product of five years of research and hundreds of interviews across every level of the business, *The Secret Life of Groceries* is essential reading for those who want to understand our food system--delivering powerful social commentary on the inherently American quest for more and compassionate insight into the lives that provide it.

The world likes to believe life is a series of endings. Some are good, others bad, but things always end. In the modern age, the movie ends, the television show ends, the book finishes with "The End", and we start to believe life is about endings. Yet life continues, without end. Recently, my young nephew died, but the next day life went on without him. This book is based on the premise that endings are just new beginnings. Everyone can end, with the beginning in mind. Giving up the concept of "everything ends" is one of the most important steps in business continuity. People love to talk about Succession Planning, but few ever accomplish the task. The numbers are staggering. The US Department of Labor Statistics tell us after one year in business, 20% of new businesses in America fail, but after 20 years only about 20% of those same businesses will have survived. Of those who survive, less than 20% will continue to a second generation! Most businesses have

a cessation plan (a plan that leads to a business ceasing to exist), while very few have succession plans (a plan that leads to a business not only continuing, but thriving after the founder exits). In his book, "Always End with the Beginning in Mind", Donald White takes you on his journey that resulted in a successful business continuation, and will give a founder of a business the steps necessary for a succession plan to actually succeed. A well-thought out and properly executed Succession Plan is a classic win-win. In fact, it is a win-win-win. It is a win for the company, namely the clients and staff who are able to enjoy continuity after the founder's exit. It is a win for the successor, who is able to build on the success of the founder. Finally, it is a win for the founder, who is able to exit on their own volition and see what they have built continue to prosper for years to come. Firms can succeed into perpetuity. They do not need to eventually cease. A businessperson who exits a business without seeing their exit as an ending, but as a new beginning, both for themselves and the business, can enjoy seeing the firm they spent a lifetime building continue to prosper after the business transitions to new leadership and simultaneously enjoy a new season of life personally. Do not leave business continuity to fate! Read this book and discover the tools necessary to move from a reactive cessation plan to a proactive plan of succession.

A must-have reference for financial advisors In step-by-step detail, *Success as a Financial Advisor For Dummies* covers how a current or would-be financial advisor can maximize their professional success through a series of behaviors, activities, and specific client-centric value propositions. In a time when federal regulators are changing the landscape on the standard of care that financial services clients should expect from their advisors, this book affords professionals insight on how they can be evolving their practices to align with the regulatory and technological trends currently underway. Inside, you'll find out how a financial advisor can be a true fiduciary, how to compete against the growing field of robo-advisors, and how the passive investing trend is actually all about being an active investor. Additionally, you'll discover time-tested advice on building and focusing on client relationships, having a top advisor mindset, and much more. Master the seven core competencies Attract and win new business Pick the right clients Benchmark your performance Start your own firm Brimming with practical expert advice, *Success as a Financial Advisor For Dummies* is a priceless success tool for any wannabe or experienced financial advisor. Money-related stress dates as far back as concepts of money itself. Formerly it may have waxed and waned in tune with the economy, but today more individuals are experiencing financial mental anguish and self-destructive behavior regardless of bull or bear markets, recessions or boom periods. From a fringe area of psychology, financial therapy has emerged to meet increasingly salient concerns. *Financial Therapy* is the first full-length guide to the field, bridging theory, practical methods, and a growing cross-disciplinary evidence base to create a framework for improving this crucial aspect of clients' lives. Its contributors identify money-based disorders such as compulsive buying, financial hoarding, and workaholism, and analyze typical early experiences and the resulting mental constructs ("money scripts") that drive toxic relationships with money. Clearly relating financial stability to larger therapeutic goals, therapists from varied perspectives offer practical tools for assessment and intervention, advise on cultural and ethical considerations, and provide instructive case studies. A diverse palette of research-based and practice-based models meets monetary mental health issues with well-known treatment approaches, among them: Cognitive-behavioral and solution-focused therapies. Collaborative relationship models. Experiential approaches. Psychodynamic financial therapy. Feminist and humanistic approaches.

Stages of change and motivational interviewing in financial therapy. A text that serves to introduce and define the field as well as plan for its future, Financial Therapy is an important investment for professionals in psychotherapy and counseling, family therapy, financial planning, and social policy.

Whether you're already well-to-do or just beginning to build a nest egg, this book will help you to make smart financial choices based on what's important to you ...

**#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** • “The clearest and best book out there to get you on the path to riches. This one’s special!”—Jim Cramer, host of CNBC’s Mad Money “Great tools for anyone wanting to dabble in the stock market.”—USA Today Phil Town is a very wealthy man, but he wasn’t always. In fact, he was living on a salary of \$4,000 a year when some well-timed advice launched him down a highway of investing self-education that revealed what the true “rules” are and how to make them work in one’s favor. Chief among them, of course, is Rule #1: “Don’t lose money.” In this updated edition to the #1 national bestseller, you’ll learn more of Phil’s fresh, think-outside-the-box rules, including: • Don’t diversify • Only buy a stock when it’s on sale • Think long term—but act short term to maximize your return • And most of all, beat the big investors at their own game by using the tools designed for them! As Phil demonstrates in these pages, giant mutual funds can’t help but regress to the mean—and as we’ve all learned in recent years, that mean could be very disappointing indeed. Fortunately, Rule #1 takes readers step-by-step through a do-it-yourself process, equipping even the biggest investing-phobes with the tools they need to make quantum leaps toward financial security—regardless of where the market is headed.

Protect your money with this “accessible and practical” guide to hiring and working with financial advisors (Publishers Weekly, starred review). Hiring a trained expert to safeguard and grow your wealth seems like a foolproof decision, but it can go awry for many people. You should never blindly trust that your advisor has your best interests at heart—and while there are many benefits to working with a financial pro, there are some things you should know first. Drawing on her insider’s knowledge of how the financial advice profession really works, Liz Davidson shows how to judge whether an advisor is going to help or harm your savings. This no-nonsense guide covers questions such as: How should you decide if you really need an advisor? What financial moves can you make without their help? What important questions should you ask before trusting them with your money? What are the red flags you should run from? What does all their jargon really mean? Learn how to take control of your financial well-being—either with a financial advisor or without one. “This book is mandatory reading for anyone who wants a better understanding of how to manage their money.” —Mary Beth Franklin, InvestmentNews “Valuable tools for managing one’s personal finances for maximum results.” —Publishers Weekly, starred review

The world of investing normally sees experts telling us the 'right' way to manage our money. How often do these experts pull back the curtain and tell us how they invest their own money? Never. How I Invest My Money changes that. In this unprecedented collection, 25 financial experts share how they navigate markets with their own capital. In this honest rendering of how they invest, save, spend, give, and borrow, this group of portfolio managers, financial advisors, venture capitalists and other experts detail the 'how' and the 'why' of their investments. They share stories about their childhood, their families, the struggles they face and the aspirations they hold. Sometimes raw, always revealing, these stories detail the indelible relationship between our money and our values. Taken as a whole, these essays powerfully demonstrate that there is no single 'right' way to save, spend, and invest. We see a kaleidoscope of perspectives on stocks, bonds, real assets, funds, charity, and other means of achieving the life one desires. With engaging illustrations throughout by Carl Richards, How I Invest My Money inspires readers to think creatively about their financial decisions and how money figures in the broader quest for a contented life. With contributions from: Morgan Housel, Christine Benz, Brian Portnoy, Joshua Brown, Bob Seawright, Carolyn McClanahan, Tyrone Ross, Dasarte Yarnway, Nina O'Neal, Debbie Freeman, Shirl Penney, Ted Seides, Ashby Daniels, Blair duQuesnay, Leighann Miko, Perth Tolle, Josh Rogers, Jenny Harrington, Mike Underhill, Dan Egan, Howard Lindzon, Ryan Krueger, Lazetta Rainey Braxton, Rita Cheng, Alex Chalekian

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Written by a practicing emergency physician, The White Coat Investor is a high-yield manual that specifically deals with the financial issues facing medical students, residents, physicians, dentists, and similar high-income professionals. Doctors are highly-educated and extensively trained at making difficult diagnoses and performing life saving procedures. However, they receive little to no training in business, personal finance, investing, insurance, taxes, estate planning, and asset protection. This book fills in the gaps and will teach you to use your high income to escape from your student loans, provide for your family, build wealth, and stop getting ripped off by unscrupulous financial professionals. Straight talk and clear explanations allow the book to be easily digested by a novice to the subject matter yet the book also contains advanced concepts specific to physicians you won't find in other financial books. This book will teach you how to:

- Graduate from medical school with as little debt as possible
- Escape from student loans within two to five years of residency graduation
- Purchase the right types and amounts of insurance
- Decide when to buy a house and how much to spend on it
- Learn to invest in a sensible, low-cost and effective manner with or without the assistance of an advisor
- Avoid investments which are designed to be sold, not bought
- Select advisors who give great service and advice at a fair price

Become a millionaire within five to ten years of residency graduation Use a "Backdoor Roth IRA" and "Stealth IRA" to boost your retirement funds and decrease your taxes Protect your hard-won assets from professional and personal lawsuits Avoid estate taxes, avoid probate, and ensure your children and your money go where you want when you die Minimize your tax burden, keeping more of your hard-earned money Decide between an employee job and an independent contractor job Choose between sole proprietorship, Limited Liability Company, S Corporation, and C Corporation Take a look at the first pages of the book by clicking on the Look Inside feature Praise For The White Coat Investor "Much of my financial planning practice is helping doctors to correct mistakes that reading this book would have avoided in the first place." - Allan S. Roth, MBA, CPA, CFP(R), Author of How a Second Grader Beats Wall Street "Jim Dahle has done a lot of thinking about the peculiar financial problems facing physicians, and you, lucky reader, are about to reap the bounty of both his experience and his research." - William J. Bernstein, MD, Author of The Investor's Manifesto and seven other investing books "This book should be in every career counselor's office and delivered with every medical degree." - Rick Van Ness, Author of Common Sense Investing "The White Coat Investor provides an expert consult for your finances. I now feel confident I can be a millionaire at 40 without feeling like a jerk." - Joe Jones, DO "Jim Dahle has done for physician financial illiteracy what penicillin did for neurosyphilis." - Dennis Bethel, MD "An excellent practical personal finance guide for physicians in training and in practice from a non biased source we can actually trust." - Greg E Wilde, M.D Scroll up, click the buy button, and get started today!

How to answer the single most important question in business and life Why should I choose you? That's the question every customer asks every single time he buys a car, picks a shampoo, or chooses a distributor, a brokerage house, an animal hospital or a hairbrush. Sometimes the question is spoken out loud; other times it's subliminal. But the fact is that every product, service or decision is a choice. And often it's a choice we make within seconds. Ian Chamandy and Ken Aber understand just how essential that choice is. Their Toronto-based consulting firm, Blueprint, helps businesses define their specific promise--the one thing that sets them apart from every other organization that does more or less the same thing--in seven words or less. Their blueprinting process has produced extraordinary results for organizations big and small, in all sorts of industries, in both the for profit and not-for-profit sectors, including construction firms, marketing/communications consultancies, boutique investment banks, and hospitals. Combining combines practical steps with case examples, Why Should I Choose You (in Seven Words or Less) will: give you confidence you never had before to lead into a bold new future make your employees more innovative and creative reveal revenue streams you never knew existed give your employees a newfound sense of purpose that motivates them to contribute at a higher level and help you sell faster and more easily because you will inspire, rather than try to convince, customers to buy

The financial services world is changing. Technology is enabling an automated approach to investing that should bring down the cost of commodity services. No longer do you have to fund the lifestyle of a broker or advisor to have him tell you how to diversify or where to find the next investment that cannot be missed. This book will provide the tools for calculators that tell you most of what you need to know; from how much insurance you need to have to how you should diversify. The book will help readers with the following: Understand what you have Plan your long-term goals Start to save (maximizing your 401k) Reduce debt Run your Monte Carlo Simulation Determine the appropriate asset allocation Set up your auto-rebalancing and periodically (annually, perhaps) re-examining your asset allocation to account for globalization Deploy the asset mix through low cost, tax-efficient strategies Look at it once per year This book will provide a better understanding of your investment decisions. But, we all cannot be do-it-yourselfers. Advisors serve as an important resource for consumers when they are both capable and understand their duty to serve you, the customer, first. To complement their moral station, they must have the skills to deliver appropriate advice. The book, much like the company Steve founded, will simplify standards for consumers and audit advisors to those standards.

A critical resource for families managing significant wealth *Wealth of Wisdom* offers essential guidance and tools to help high-net-worth families successfully manage significant wealth. By compiling the 50 most common questions surrounding protection and growth, this book provides a compendium of knowledge from experts around the globe and across disciplines. Deep insight and thoughtful answers put an end to uncertainty, and help lay to rest the issues you have been wrestling with for years; by divulging central lessons and explaining practical actions you can take today, this book gives you the critical information you need to make more informed decisions about your financial legacy. Vital charts, graphics, questionnaires, worksheets and other tools help you get organized, develop a strategy and take real control of your family's wealth, while case studies show how other families have handled the very dilemmas you may be facing today. Managing significant wealth is a complex affair, and navigating the financial world at that level involves making decisions that can have major ramifications — these are not decisions to make lightly. This book equips you to take positive action, be proactive and make the tough decisions to protect and grow your family's wealth. Ensure your personal and financial success and legacy Access insight and data from leading experts Adopt the most useful tools and strategies for wealth management Learn how other families have successfully navigated common dilemmas When your family's wealth is at stake, knowledge is critical — and uncertainty can be dangerous. Drawn from interactions with hundreds of wealthy individuals and families, *Wealth of Wisdom* provides a definitive resource of practical solutions from the world's best financial minds.

You're smart. So don't be dumb about money. Pinpoint your biggest money blind spots and take control of your finances with these tools from CBS News Business Analyst and host of the nationally syndicated radio show *Jill on Money*, Jill Schlesinger. "A must-read . . . This straightforward and pleasingly opinionated book may persuade more of us to think about financial planning." --Financial Times Hey you . . . you saw the title. You get the deal. You're smart. You've made a few dollars. You've done

what the financial books and websites tell you to do. So why isn't it working? Maybe emotions and expectations are getting in the way of good sense--or you're paying attention to the wrong people. If you've started counting your lattes, for god's sake, just stop. Read this book instead. After decades of working as a Wall Street trader, investment adviser, and money expert for CBS News, Jill Schlesinger reveals thirteen costly mistakes you may be making right now with your money. Drawing on personal stories and a hefty dose of humor, Schlesinger argues that even the brightest people can behave like financial dumb-asses because of emotional blind spots. So if you've saved for college for your kids before saving for retirement, or you've avoided drafting a will, this is the book for you. By following Schlesinger's rules about retirement, college financing, insurance, real estate, and more, you can save money and avoid countless sleepless nights. It could be the smartest investment you make all year. Praise for *The Dumb Things Smart People Do with Their Money* "Common sense is not always common, especially when it comes to managing your money. Consider Jill Schlesinger's book your guide to all the things you should know about money but were never taught. After reading it, you'll be smarter, wiser, and maybe even wealthier."--Chris Guillebeau, author of *Side Hustle* and *The \$100 Startup* "A must-read, whether you're digging yourself out of a financial hole or stacking up savings for the future, *The Dumb Things Smart People Do with Their Money* is a personal finance gold mine loaded with smart financial nuggets delivered in Schlesinger's straight-talking, judgment-free style."--Beth Koblner, author of *Make Your Kid a Money Genius (Even If You're Not)* and *Get a Financial Life*

There have been big changes in consumers' buying habits, and financial services are no exception, says Cam Marston, a world-renowned expert on generational issues in the marketplace. Understanding clients' age-based points of view is an indispensable soft skill that you can use to establish connections and make sales. New attitudes about investing break down along generational lines and this book is the definitive guide to tailoring financial services and building relationships with clients based on these new generation-specific expectations and experiences. Whole chapters are devoted to each of the four generations - Matures, Baby Boomers, Generation Xers, and Millennials - and their unique approaches to finance and investing. Marston offers detailed guidelines and an arsenal of proven techniques to help the advisor best serve investors of all ages. Through this book, Marston conveys the changing demographics and shifting experiences that are giving many financial advisors anxiety they haven't felt since the Great Recession. But he also shares a path forward.

Worry less. Plan more. Do you want a secure retirement, free from worry, stress, and confusion? The Bucket Plan® is a must-read book for anyone serious about creating a practical and sensible financial plan for his or her retirement years. The financial planning process outlined in this book is based on a three-bucket philosophy of strategically positioning assets to plan for and mitigate the risks and dangers that can occur in retirement. Readers will learn: • The three biggest dangers for your financial future and how The Bucket Plan helps protect from them • A formula for calculating whether you will have an income deficit and, if so, how much money is needed to prevent it • A surefire way to avoid taking on too much investment risk on money you may need in the near future • Much, much more When readers strategically allocate their money using Jason Smith's three-bucket philosophy, they can



create a plan that mitigates risk and offers an opportunity for growth into the future, allowing them to feel more secure about retirement.

**YOU ARE A SMART WOMAN, BUT DO YOU STILL:** —Feel you're too busy to invest your money? —Rely on someone else to deal? —Get bored by financial talk? —Think that investing is something only men do? —Worry you're not smart enough? **THINK AGAIN.** Women have made strides in so many areas and yet we still have a blind spot when it comes to managing our money. Why? A myriad of factors cause women to earn less than men over a lifetime, making it all the more imperative that we make the money we do have work for us as much as possible. And here's a reality check: as many as nine out of ten of us will have to manage our finances and those of our family at some point in our lives. And a lot of us think that means keeping our money "safe" in savings accounts, and not investing it. But not doing so has an opportunity cost that will lead to opportunities lost—the ability to pay for a college education, own a home, change careers to pursue a dream, or retire. Alice Finn wants to change how you think about your money, no matter how much or little you have. In *Smart Women Love Money*, Finn paves the way forward by showing you that the power of investing is the last frontier of feminism. Drawing on more than twenty years of experience as a successful wealth management adviser, Finn shares five simple and proven strategies for a woman at any stage of her life, whether starting a career, home raising children, or heading up a major corporation. Finn's Five Life-changing Rules of Investing will secure your financial future: 1. Invest in Stocks for the Long Run: Get the magic of compounding working for you, starting now. 2. Allocate your Assets: Strategize your investing to get the most of your returns. 3. Implement with Index Funds: Take advantage of "passive" investing with simple, low-cost, and diverse funds. 4. Rebalance Regularly: Sell high and buy low without much effort, to keep you on track toward your goals. 5. Keep Your Fees Low: Uncover hidden fees so you don't lose half of your wealth to Wall Street. Finn will also provide the tools you need to achieve long-term success no matter what the markets are doing or what the headlines say. So even in the face of uncertainty—such as the possible dumping of the fiduciary rule (requiring financial advisers to act in their client's best interests) by the Trump administration—*Smart Women Love Money* will help you protect yourself and all of your assets for your future. Whether you have \$10, \$10,000, or more, it's time to get smart about your money.

The author brings his innovative system of forging instant connections to the workplace, providing the fundamentals for creating and maintaining effective business relationships.

Investing information is everywhere; there are blogs, newspapers, magazines, and cable TV shows all dedicated to helping individuals invest in smarter and more successful ways. Yet despite all the efforts to educate the public on investing, most people still feel uncomfortable with how they should actually invest their money. Recent predictions about slowing economic growth, historically low interest rates, and volatile markets have investors scratching their heads about what to do with their money. And more than ever, people are scared about whether they can grow their money enough to last through their lifetime. Expert investor Timothy McCarthy has spent the last 30 years in the US and overseas providing investment solutions to individuals and their advisors. He believes that understanding how to create a truly globally diverse portfolio while applying the magic of time will help

all investors navigate risky markets. McCarthy also explores the fundamentals of picking and evaluating financial advisors for those who want to understand the principles of investing but not actually do the work themselves. McCarthy helps guide the reader along a straightforward path to investment success by telling engaging and actual stories to illustrate each of his seven lessons of successful investing. The Safe Investor will help even those readers with little interest or aptitude for finance to be comfortable in knowing what to do to manage their life investment plan and how to manage their own advisors.

A how to guide to avoiding the mistakes ineffective financial advisors most often make Based on a 15-year consulting program that author Steve Moore has led for financial advisors, *Ineffective Habits of Financial Advisors (and the Disciplines to Break Them): A Framework for Avoiding the Mistakes Everyone Else Makes* details proven techniques which allow advisors to transform their business into an elite practice: business analysis, strategic vision, exceptional client service, and acquiring high net worth clients. Told through the story of a purely fictional and completely average financial advisor, each chapter begins with an ineffective habit that is then countered with a discipline that improves business results and adds value. The book Details a step-by-step strategy for working through current clients, rather than relying on cold calling to form new relationships Includes anecdotes collected through both personal experience and stories relayed to him by clients and colleagues Provides question and answer segments, examples, and homework assignments *Ineffective Habits of Financial Advisors (and the Disciplines to Break Them* shows you how to deliver exceptional service while generating higher revenue per client.

Praise for *The New Financial Advisor* "For those of us who are working day to day on the frontier of wealth management, Scott Budge has done a remarkable job of mapping out this new territory--helping families achieve life outcomes. Budge's book is a valuable primer for advisors who are ready to embrace the psychological aspects of their role with families as a complement to their financial expertise." --Dirk Junge, Chairman and CEO, Pitcairn "At the time when the qualitative issues of human development are becoming the dominant questions for families, Scott Budge's defining of the New Financial Advisor brings to life the kind of advisor who will be most helpful to families in the years to come." --James (Jay) E. Hughes, author of *Family Wealth: Keeping It in the Family* and *Family: The Compact Among Generations* "The modern financial advisory landscape is more complex than most advisors realize. Successful advisors will gain a map and a compass if they take advantage of Scott Budge's many insights and words of wisdom. *The New Financial Advisor* keeps the focus on outcomes, and advisors will discover investment solutions uniquely suited for families." --Charlotte B. Beyer, founder and CEO, Institute for Private Investors "Scott Budge has written a wise, warm, and informative guide to navigating the human side of wealth management. *The New Financial Advisor* should be on the short list of required reading for anyone who aspires to the role of 'Most Trusted Advisor.' I know I'll be consulting it often." --Elizabeth P.

Anderson, CFA, Beekman Wealth Advisory, LLC "Scott has rightly perceived that today's financial advisors can play a different role--helping their clients navigate their family relationships around wealth. The New Financial Advisor's theory and practices provides examples to achieve this goal." --Charles W. Collier, Senior Philanthropy Advisor, Harvard University, and author of *Wealth in Families*

Your Survival Guide to the Hades of Wall Street *The Devil's Financial Dictionary* skewers the plutocrats and bureaucrats who gave us exploding mortgages, freakish risks, and banks too big to fail. And it distills the complexities, absurdities, and pomposities of Wall Street into plain truths and aphorisms anyone can understand. An indispensable survival guide to the hostile wilderness of today's financial markets, *The Devil's Financial Dictionary* delivers practical insights with a scorpion's sting. It cuts through the fads and fakery of Wall Street and clears a safe path for investors between euphoria and despair. Staying out of financial purgatory has never been this fun.

You may have heard that financial service firms aren't traditionally designed for serious growth. Well, they were wrong! Do you want to become a million-dollar financial advisor, boost client satisfaction, and dramatically expand your business? *The Financial Advisor's Success Manual* provides all the answers and strategies you need to do just that. Complete with proven techniques, expert insights, and practical tips to maximize your profitability, this one-stop guide will show you how to break the cycle of moderate growth by teaching you how to:

- Develop a differentiation strategy
- Define and implement your six core client-facing processes
- Balance the cost of services with the value delivered
- Enhance client loyalty
- Perfect your personal marketing and sales approach
- And more!

You didn't start your financial services firm with a goal of modest gains. So don't settle for that! By implementing the methodologies and strategies in this manual, you can grow your business beyond your wildest expectations--all while serving your clients better.

The best financial advisors are well equipped to succeed regardless of market conditions. Based on interviews with fifteen top advisors, each doing several million dollars worth of business every year, *The Million-Dollar Financial Advisor* distills their universal success principles into thirteen distinct lessons. Each is explained step-by step for immediate application by veteran and new financial professionals alike. The lessons cover: \* Building and focusing on client relationships \* Having a top advisor mindset \* Developing a long-term approach \* Specialization \* Marketing \* And much more The book also features two complete case studies. First there is the "best of the best" advisor whose incredible success showcases the power of all the book's principles working together in concert. The second is an account of a remarkable and inspiring career turn around and demonstrates that it's never too late to reinvent oneself. Brimming with practical advice from the author and expert insights from his interview subjects, *The Million-Dollar Financial Advisor* is a

priceless success tool for any and all financial advisors.

Think you can't become a millionaire? Think again! In 2018, Ramsey Solutions conducted the largest research study of millionaires ever, with over 10,000 millionaires interviewed. What we discovered about how these men and women built their wealth will surprise you. Chris Hogan shares the 10 biggest myths the study revealed in his national bestselling book *Everyday Millionaires*. But if charts and graphs are your thing, this Ramsey Quick Read will give you all the scientific data behind the millionaire mindset. This 116-page brief walks you through the research study, including: research methodology demographics family background behaviors, characteristics and mindset societal beliefs and more Dive into the data firsthand to see how millionaires build their wealth--and how you can too.

A financial advisor recounts an interview with a recently retired physician who planned an enjoyable--and costly--retirement. The doctor wanted his entire portfolio in bonds, which was far too conservative to maintain the lifestyle he and his wife had planned. In the advisor's words: "This fellow was a bit of a know-it-all, and I wasn't getting through. Finally I asked him, 'Doctor, how will it feel for you when you have to go back to work?' That got his attention, and I was able to lay out a strategy that would allow him to retire and stay retired." In *Questions Great Financial Advisors Ask...and Investors Need to Know*, coauthors Alan Parisse and David Richman have compiled the questions great advisors ask that lead to the probing and personal conversations necessary to diagnose and understand clients'--and potential clients'--deep-seated feelings about money. That's how great advisors help clients wring the emotion out of investing and set them on the rational road to achieving their financial goals. Throughout this book are questions, suggestions, and stories from some of the world's top financial advisors, including a chapter of "great questions to ask" organized by topic. "The newbie investor will not find a better guide to personal finance." —Burton Malkiel, author of *A RANDOM WALK DOWN WALL STREET* TV analysts and money managers would have you believe your finances are enormously complicated, and if you don't follow their guidance, you'll end up in the poorhouse. They're wrong. When University of Chicago professor Harold Pollack interviewed Helaine Olen, an award-winning financial journalist and the author of the bestselling *Pound Foolish*, he made an offhand suggestion: everything you need to know about managing your money could fit on an index card. To prove his point, he grabbed a 4" x 6" card, scribbled down a list of rules, and posted a picture of the card online. The post went viral. Now, Pollack teams up with Olen to explain why the ten simple rules of the index card outperform more complicated financial strategies. Inside is an easy-to-follow action plan that works in good times and bad, giving you the tools, knowledge, and confidence to seize control of your financial life.

Manage your stress levels before they start managing you!

Learn what makes a client trust you to be their financial advisor. Put the power of story telling into selling financial products. The

authors explain the process of making these intuitive connections, then translate their findings into understandable and practical strategies that any financial professional can use. They present actual stories, including many by Warren Buffet, one of the greatest "storytellers" of all time. These actual stories can help financial pros tap into the "gut reaction" of different types of clients. the book also includes special topics on communicating to women, the 50+ market, and the affluent.

The #1 way to start getting referrals? STOP ASKING In all his years of helping financial professionals build and grow their businesses, Stephen Wershing has learned that the number one way to make sure you don't get a referral is by asking for it. Why? Because studies prove that clients refer you not to benefit you but to benefit themselves. So you have to approach the challenge from a completely new angle. Stop Asking for Referrals helps you do exactly that. Inside, Wershing provides the tools you need to get more referrals than ever by designing your practice in a way that gets clients to mention you to friends when the opportunity arises. He calls it "the new referral conversation," and it works. Define your target market with accuracy and precision Communicate your value clearly and effectively Create your company's unique "brand" Harness the natural, normal social interactions of your clients to serve your marketing efforts You'll also learn how to use client feedback to benefit your business, create your service package, and bring in new business. "The way you have been told to attract referrals is based on an assumption that's wrong," Wershing writes. "And it is undermining your business and your relationships." You will come away with a deep understanding of why and where referrals actually come from, how to tailor your own practice to get people talking about you, and ways to develop a communication plan to project your reputation. So stop asking for referrals--and start attracting more new clients than you ever thought possible. Praise for Stop Asking for Referrals "Steve Wershing helps you unlock the untapped referral potential you have in your business today with an approach that is as comfortable as it is effective." -- JULIE LITTLECHILD, founder and president of Advisor Impact "The most comprehensive, practical, and engaging guide I know of for strengthening existing client connections and cultivating new ones in a way that is experience-based, respectful, and long-lasting." -- OLIVIA MELLAN, psychotherapist, money coach, author of The Client Connection, and columnist for Investment Advisor "Reading this book will revolutionize how you think about growing your business." -- MICHAEL E. KITCES, MSFS, MTAX, CFP, partner, Pinnacle Advisory Group, and blogger, Nerd's Eye View "This book will help you overcome . . . discomfort and show you how to engage your clients so that they will proudly help you build your business. Kudos for this powerful, one-stop marketing resource!" -- SHERYL GARRETT, CFP, AIF, award-winning author, advisor, and founder of the Garrett Planning Network "Stop Asking for Referrals is on my Top Ten list of books that I believe offer the most meaningful strategies for advisors. . . . Steve's ideas for referral marketing are brilliant and just plain common sense. Advisors will embrace his book as the new referral bible. -- SYDNEY LEBLANC, founding editor of Registered Rep magazine; partner of LeBlanc and Company "Embrace Steve's advice if you'd like to see your practice growth become effortless, boundless, and fun!" -- MARIE SWIFT, CEO, Impact Communications, columnist for Financial Planning magazine, and author of Become a Media Magnet

This book is everything you need to plan for your financial future and avoid paying tens of thousands of dollars to a financial

advisor. A financial plan will guide you during good and bad times, ups and downs of the market, job changes, and financial setbacks. Creating a financial plan is not all about money, budgeting, and investing. It's about enabling you to live the life you truly want. As you progress through your career in medicine, you have never been taught how to prepare for a healthy financial future, leaving you vulnerable to being sold products you don't need or working so hard that you experience burnout. Physicians are the smartest people on the planet when it comes to medicine, so why not finances too? Let's change the dynamic between money and medicine and help you live your ideal life.

A practical guide to getting personal investing right Somewhere along the way, something has gone very wrong with the way individuals save and invest. Too often, households are drawn in by promotional suggestions masquerading as impartial investment advice. Consumers get saddled with more risk than they realize. Authors Zvi Bodie and Rachelle Taqqu understand the dilemma that today's investors face, and with *Risk Less and Prosper* they will help you find your financial footing. Written in an accessible style, this practical guide skillfully explains why personal investing is all about you—your goals, your values and your career path. It shows how to understand investment risk and choose the particular blend of risk and safety that is right for you. And it lays out several simple yet powerful ways for small investors to cast a reliable safety net to achieve their financial goals and truly prosper. Coauthors Bodie and Taqqu challenge the myth that all investments require risk, then highlight some important risks that families often disregard when deciding where to put their money. Later, they connect the dots between investment and investor, showing us all how to grasp our own investment risk profiles and how we may use these insights to make more fitting investment choices. Outlines a straightforward way to invest by aligning your investments with your goals and the risk levels you can bear Provides basic investment abc's for readers who are otherwise literate Lays out a simple, actionable plan for achieving your goals Explains the role of risk-free assets and investment insurance in assuring that you reach your most essential goals Contrary to popular belief, investing doesn't have to be complicated. You can build wealth without taking great risks. *Risk Less and Prosper* will show you how to make investment decisions that will make your financial life less stressful and more profitable.

What makes it so hard for people to do the right things with their money? Why do they frequently ignore sound financial advice? Grounded in the psychology of money and the science of non-adherence, this book equips financial professionals to deliver their advice more effectively.

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