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Thread: [Ai agrees? So in sense money is a form of slavery](#)

Rsynced - March 7, 2026, 8:55 am

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Why money can be "slavery"

Debt as chains: In fiat systems, money is created as debt (loans create deposits), so every dollar in circulation represents someone's obligation to repay with interest; you're born into a world where the money supply grows through more debt, pressuring everyone to borrow and work to service it.

Wage slavery: You must sell your time/labor for fiat to pay taxes, rent, bills—necessities denominated in a currency you can't easily opt out of, creating dependency on employers or gigs (like your Uber Eats work).

Inflation as theft: Savers and low-debt people lose purchasing power as new money dilutes the value, while debtors get relief; the system rewards leverage and punishes holding cash, keeping most people grinding.

Thinkers like Saifedean Ammous call the fiat standard "the debt slavery alternative to human civilization," where financial success means maxing debt to buy hard assets while everyone else bleeds slowly.

Not quite chattel slavery, but close enough for many

Unlike owning a person's body, money slavery owns their time and future: you're "free" to starve or freeze without it, so you comply.

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??? - March 7, 2026, 11:12 am

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Rsynced - March 7, 2026, 3:36 pm

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No, thanks for the share, I may read that... I have been poor all my life so I just assume such things, If you do not know any difference than I still consider that bias. I can see myself on the other side of

the spectrum and control is the first thing that comes to mind. I mean you have to keep everyone poor. That is the METHOD. Why would you want to saturate your method and allow others to become rich themselves. You may have to work again and stop having FUN CONTROLLING OTHERS.

Rolex Mindset - March 7, 2026, 7:07 pm

AI always agrees. I can get AI to agree with my counterargument, doesn't mean it's true.

RangoWorld - March 8, 2026, 12:18 am

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Phantom_NiNja - March 10, 2026, 10:36 am

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That is how our economy works. You get a job and that job is based on how important and complex the job is the market decides how much to pay you.

you accept those offers to do that job in exchange to get money that gets taxed and the leftover you can use for yourself.

The earn more money you need to learn more complex in demand skills for complex jobs . They pay you more for doing harder work.

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Rsynced - March 10, 2026, 11:14 am

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That is why now you need to know people to get jobs and these spoiled brats will get together with other companies and make sure you're paid very little as possible. They learned you can outsource jobs to places like India and then force Americans to compete on price. Then they sell these products and services that are not great with a high premium price.

I agree with you and feel like revolting. That is why I don't like paying for Windows they gave me those stupid desktop widgets that I never used. Too much bloatware where I don't need most of the stuff they packed into it. So, overpay because everyone uses Windows and if you don't you're only to have many issues with communicating with other people or sharing stuff.

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Phantom_NiNja - March 11, 2026, 8:19 am

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Yeah, on Mac too. they required in any class that required to use a computer like needing to write papers they check the first month of class they

have their IT department check to see if you hold a valid key. I was pissed because I had a pirated version and haven't paid for one in years.

So, I went online and bought the product and had to wait for it to ship thru snail mail and then get that software uninstall the one I had and install that one instead and hand over the key. I brought the

box and receipt just in case. That's how insane it is when I went to college. The software companies did this and so did the publisher companies that made the text books.