

Money Laundering Scheme

The other day I pulled all of my cash out of my wallet and some more cash I had stashed in my desk drawer. It was all fouled up. It smelled like somebody's old perfume mixed in with some other strange odors. All of the one dollar bills were mangled and the rest of the bills had edges bent over and dog eared and bent all so the bills wouldn't stack evenly at all. Then I remembered how an announcer on television was saying it's best to wash your hands or use disinfectant spray on your hands after handling money. That money has been everywhere and handled by hundreds, maybe thousands of people. It may have even been around the world once or twice.

"That's it!" I said to myself. "I'm going to wash this cash and iron it." So, I did. I took it all and dumped it into a mixing bowl in the kitchen sink and filled it half way with water and added some dishwashing soap. I swirled it all around a few times and emptied the dirty (and I mean dirty) water. I rinsed it off one bill at a time and placed them evenly on a dish towel on the counter. Then I covered them with another dry dish towel and pressed down on them to get all the moisture to absorb into the towels. I then let it sit for an hour. After I took off the top dish towel the bills looked a lot better and most of the wrinkles were gone. The bills lay pretty flat. I got out the ironing board and heated up the iron. Then I quickly pressed each bill for about 2 seconds and stacked them one by one. "Voila!" The bills felt almost new and they weren't flimsy and all bent up any more.

I figured big deal, you clean and iron your shirts why not your cash bills? Then I began to think "What if everybody did this with the cash in their house?" The whole country would instantly be carrying around clean neatly wadded cash bills in their purses and wallets. Then when the cashier at a bank or a restaurant gets all these nice clean and neat bills, they will be handing them out to everyone when they make change. Before you know it we'll all be carrying nice clean, sanitary, easy to handle cash bills. No more crinkled, flimsy bent up wadded up pieces of waste paper that can't be stacked or stored neatly in a wallet. Even the US Treasury would be set at ease. They wouldn't be so pressed (no pun intended) to print as many new bills all the time because the bills in circulation would be lasting longer.

Come on guys! It's also a matter of self respect when you think about it. You shave and shower in the morning and put on clean clothes and want to look, feel and smell good don't you? Just think how have a nice fresh, clean wad of cash bills in your wallet would add to the good feeling.