

PROSPERITY PREACHER ACCUSED OF STEALING: Businessman said Creflo Dollar making millions from stolen idea.

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Televangelist Rev. Creflo Dollar is accused of stealing a California businessman's idea that has reportedly profited the pastor more than \$50 million a year.

Devone Lawson of Marina Del Rey, California, also filed suit against the high-profile pastor's son, Jeremy Dollar, saying in 2006 they stole a joint idea to send daily devotional text messages to subscribers.

According to the Atlanta Journal-Constitution the original idea was to cost \$4.99 a month, but Lawson's attorney said Dollar initiated the plan without Lawson calling it "Word on the Go" and increased the price to \$5.99 a month instead bringing in \$50 million a year through subscriptions.

The suit, filed in Los Angeles County, claims breach of agreements and contract, fraud, misrepresentation, interference and misappropriation of trade secrets.

"The word from the preacher ain't cheap," David Evangelista, Lawson's lawyer told the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. "Apparently, the Rev. Dollar and the Dollar Ministries do not practice what they preach, unless the prosperity gospel they preach justifies fraud and theft in the attainment of material wealth."

Dollar could not be reached for comment. His World Changers Church International in College Park, Georgia near Atlanta claims 30,000 members. The church has a second location in New York City and an international TV ministry.

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