

# *Rich Man, Poor Man.*

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***There Is A Fundamental Connection Between Our Spiritual Lives And How We Think About Money***

**James 1:9–11 (NIV)** — **9** Believers in humble circumstances ought to take pride in their high position. **10** But the rich should take pride in their humiliation—since they will pass away like a wild flower. **11** For the sun rises with scorching heat and withers the plant; its blossom falls and its beauty is destroyed. In the same way, the rich will fade away even while they go about their business.

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## **The Poor Are Rich In The Lord**

**James 1:9 (NIV) — 9** Believers in humble circumstances ought to take pride in their high position.

**James 1:9 (NLT)** Believers who are poor have something to boast about, for God has honored them

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**The Poor: Take Pride In High Position**

- **The Poor: Are Important In A Church**
- **The Poor: Ignored In The World Not In The Kingdom**
- **The Poor: Have Equal Value In The Church**
- **The Poor: Have Equal Value In God**

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## *Wrong Treatment Of The Poor:*

- **Shows Contempt for God**      **Prov. 14:31**
- **Shuts Us Off From God**      **Prov. 21:13**
- **Brings Poverty**      **Prov 22:16**
- **Is Judged by God**      **Is. 3:13–15**
- **Is Dealt With by God**      **Prov 22:22-23**

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## *Provisions For Protection Of The Poor:*

- *Daily payment of wages* **Lev. 19:13**
- *Sharing of tithes with* **Deut. 14:28, 29**
- *Loans to, without interest* **Lev. 25:35, 37**
- *Right to glean* **Lev. 19:9, 10**
- *Land restored in jubilee year* **Lev. 25:25–30**
- *Equal participation in feasts* **Lev. 16:11, 14**
- *Permanent slavery forbidden* **Dt. 15:12–15**

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## *The Promises Of God To The Poor:*

- **God Remembers Them**                      **Ps. 9:18**
- **God Delivers Them**                      **Ps. 35:10**
- **God Saves Them**                      **Ps. 72:12-14**
- **God Shelters Them**                      **Is. 25:4**
- **God Raises & Lifts Them**                      **Ps. 113:7**

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## Right Treatment Of The Poor Is

- **Recommended**      **Deut. 24:14, 15**
- **Remembered**      **Jer. 22:16**
- **Rewarded**      **Matt. 25:34–40**

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**The Poor Become Rich When They Recognize Their Need For Christ**

- **“Rich” & “Poor” Depends On “Self-Sufficiency” Or “God-Dependency”**
- **THE KEY: Know Your Need For God**

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## **Sufficiency In Him Makes The Poor Rich & Blessed**

- Hungry, But ***Have The Bread Of Life***
- Thirsty, But ***Have The Water Of Life***
- Poor, But ***Have Eternal Riches***
- Thrown Away By Men, But ***Eternally Received By God***
- No Home On Earth, But ***A Glorious Home In Heaven***

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## **Good News For The Poor:**

Their Trials Are Working In Them To Make Them More Like Christ

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## **The Godly View Time As Temporary**

- **Time Will One Day Come To An End**
- **The Fortunes Of God's People Is Not Determined By Their Financial Status**

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**The Poor And Being Rich Each Have Their Own Type Of Trials**

- **We Have To Be Very Careful To Keep Our Priorities Straight**
- **In The End, Both Rich & Poor Suffer The Same Fate – They Die**

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## **We All Can Become Members Of The Wealthiest People In All Eternity**

- **(Eph 1:18-19 NIV)** I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, (19) and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength,

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**Trials Remind The Poor That They Are Rich In The Lord & Therefore Can Lose Nothing**

- **Trials Remind The Rich That They Dare Not Live For Riches Or Trust In Them**