



# ***The Humility of True Wealth***

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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 Destinies Of God's People Are Not Determined By Their Financial Status**

- **Both Poor And Rich Each Have Their Own Type Of Trials**

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**We Have To Be Very Careful To Keep Our Priorities Straight**

- **In The End, Both Rich And Poor Suffer The Same Fate – They Die**

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## We All Can Become Among The Wealthiest People In All Eternity – A Wealth That Lasts

**Ephesians 1:18–19 (NIV) — 18** I pray 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 his holy people, **19** and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength

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

- **Trials Remind The Rich That They Must Never Live For Riches Or Trust In Them**

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## The Rich Person Is Only Rich When They Are Rich In The Lord

**Jeremiah 9:23–24 (NIV) — 23** This is what the LORD says: “Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength or the rich boast of their riches, **24** but let the one who boasts boast about this: that they have the understanding to know me, that I am the LORD, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight,” declares the LORD.

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## Wealth Cannot Buy Eternal Life

- **Possessions And Possessors  
Will Pass Away**
- **You Can't Take It With You!**

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## The Sum Of Earthly Riches = They Are Meager

- *Spiritually valueless* Ps. 49:6, 7
- *Inferior* Heb. 11:26
- *Fleeting* Prov. 23:5
- *Unsatisfying* Eccl. 4:8
- *Hurtful* Eccl. 5:13, 14
- *Deceitful* Matt. 13:22
- *Choking* Luke 8:14
- *Corrupted* James 5:2
- *Uncertain* 1 Tim. 6:17

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**Life Is No Cake Walk For The Rich**

- ***Are Your Possessions Possessing You?***

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## *Spiritual Handicaps Of The Rich*

<b>Selfishly Satisfied</b>	<b>Luke 6:24</b>
<b>Reluctant To Leave Riches</b>	<b>Luke 18:22–25</b>
<b>Forgetful Of God</b>	<b>Luke 12:15–21</b>
<b>Indifferent To Others</b>	<b>Luke 16:19–31</b>
<b>Easily Tempted</b>	<b>1 Tim. 6:9</b>
<b>Hindered Spiritually</b>	<b>Matt. 19:23, 24</b>
<b>Misplaced Trust</b>	<b>Prov. 11:28</b>

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## Proper Attitude Toward Wealth:

- **Not To Be Put First** 1 Kin. 3:11, 13
- **Not To Be Trusted** Ps. 52:7
- **Do Not Set Heart Upon** Ps. 62:10
- **Not To Be Desired** Prov. 30:8
- **Not Forever** Prov. 27:24
- **Use It In Giving** 2 Cor. 8:2
- **Remember God's Supply** Phil. 4:19

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**(James 1:9-11 NCV)** (9) Believers who are poor should be proud, because God has made them spiritually rich. **(10) Those who are rich should be proud, because God has shown them that they are spiritually poor. The rich will die like a wildflower in the grass.** (11) The sun rises with burning heat and dries up the plants. The flower falls off, and its beauty is gone. **In the same way the rich will die while they are still taking care of business.**

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*Riches are Here Today -- Gone Tomorrow*

- **Any Trial That Breaks Us Away From The Temporary And Passing -- And Sets Our Affections On Things Above Is A Blessing**

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## *The World's View of Riches:*

- **Money brings freedom**
- **Money brings security**
- **Money is what matters**
- **Money is power**
- **Money establishes your worth as a person**

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## God's Word -- View of Riches:

- **The desire for money leads to destruction**
- **Worldly wealth is very insecure**
- **Christ and His Kingdom matter**
- **Power comes from being Spirit filled**
- **Your worth is based on what God says**

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## *The World's View of Riches:*

- **Money makes you successful**
- **Money gives you options**
- **Money brings happiness**
- **Money is your reward. Spend it on yourself**
- **Money is your possession. Spend it on Wants**

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## God's Word -- View Of Riches:

- **Success is doing what God says**
- **God is the One who gives you options**
- **The happiness that money brings is short-lived**
- **Lasting joy comes from knowing God**
- **Give as much as you can**
- **All that you have is God's -- You are a manager**

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