

James: Doing > Hearing
Wealthy & Wise
James 5:1-6

The single most seductive power that can blind us of our need for God is the apparent power and privilege of _____.

Matthew 6:24

Proverbs 10:22

1 Timothy 6:9-10

God wants us to use our wealth _____, no matter how much or how little we have.

THE COMING MISERY OF THE UNGODLY WHO ABUSE WEALTH
(5:1-3; cf. Luke 6:24-25; Matthew 6:20)

How people handle wealth reflects their _____ with God.

_____ for losing their wealth in which they put their trust

_____ for sinning with their wealth

_____ from being devoured in judgment

THE SINS OF THE UNGODLY WHO ABUSE WEALTH
(5:3-6)

The Sin of Greed

- 1) _____ wealth uselessly (Saving, yes! - **Proverbs 21:20; 30:24**; Hoarding, no! - **Luke 12**)
- 2) Spending wealth _____ - _____ (**1 Timothy 6:17**)

God not only entrusts his people with material goods to enjoy, but to enable us to _____ with him in the _____ of the gospel.

- Providing for our _____ (**1 Timothy 5:8**)

- Advancing Christ's cause through the local _____ (**1 Corinthians 16:2; 2 Corinthians 9:6-7**)
Specifically...
...to win the _____ (**Luke 16:9**)
...to care for those in _____ (**1 John 3:16-18**)
...to support full-time _____ (**Galatians 6:6; Philippians 4:17-18**)
- Benefitting _____ (**Matthew 5:16; cp. Jeremiah 29:7**)
Donating to Charity
Venturing into Entrepreneurships (e.g., micro loans)
Offering Jobs and Opportunity
Funding Research and Studies

Ecclesiastes 5:10-15

The Sin of Injustice

- 1) Gaining wealth _____ (**Proverbs 16:8; 21:6; Leviticus 19:13; Deuteronomy 24:14-15; Jeremiah 22:13**)
- 2) Using wealth _____ (**Matthew 25:31-46**)

We must not underestimate the power of our wealth;
we can leverage our _____ to be a good _____.

"...IN THE LAST DAYS." (v. 3)

"the Lord of Hosts" (v.4)

Jeremiah 46:10; 12:3

Acts 20:35

Proverbs 11:24-25

1 Timothy 6:17

He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit is saying.
(Nehemiah 9:30; Revelation 2 & 3)

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Despair for losing their wealth in which they put their trust

Guilt for sinning with their wealth

Agony from being devoured in judgment

THE SINS OF THE UNGODLY WHO ABUSE WEALTH**(5:3-6)****The Sin of Greed**

- 1) Hoarding wealth uselessly (Saving, yes! - **Proverbs 21:20; 30:24**; Hoarding, no! - **Luke 12**)
- 2) Spending wealth self-Indulgently (**1 Timothy 6:17**)

God not only entrusts his people with material goods to enjoy, but to enable us to partner with him in the mission of the gospel.

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- Advancing Christ's cause through the local church (**1 Corinthians 16:2; 2 Corinthians 9:6-7**)

Specifically...

...to win the **lost** (Luke 16:9)

...to care for those in **need** (1 John 3:16-18)

...to support full-time **ministers** (Galatians 6:6; Philippians 4:17-18)

- Benefitting **society** (Matthew 5:16; cp. Jeremiah 29:7)

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The Sin of Injustice

- 1) Gaining wealth **unfairly** (Proverbs 16:8; 21:6; Leviticus 19:13; Deuteronomy 24:14-15; Jeremiah 22:13)
- 2) Using wealth **abusively** (Matthew 25:31-46)

We must not underestimate the power of our wealth;
we can leverage our **affluence** to be a good **influence**.

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