

Riches that Bring Sorrow

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I. Introduction. (Proverbs 10:25)

A. The blessing of the Lord.

1. What it is and what it means to us.
2. How it leaves no aftertaste.

B. Solomon-a man of riches who wrote the Proverbs.

1. He was not putting “sour grapes” in the print.
2. He was not complaining about something that he had not already had.

II. The blessing of the Lord.

A. It is to stand in right relationship to God in full covenant relationship. It is to be a joint heir with Jesus Christ.

B. It is the greatest possession that anyone can have because it is eternal and no one can take it away from you.

1. Material things pass away, they depreciate, and they devalue.
2. What God has given us Satan cannot take away.
3. The example of Job.

C. False riches.

1. Popularity. Friends can easily run away from you.
2. Possessions. Possessions come and go.
3. Fame.
4. Contentment.
5. Envy.

III. The true riches.

A. The riches of God’s love for us.

1. God smiles upon his people.

2. The Lord bears us.

B. The riches of fellowship with the greats.

1. Moses, David, Paul.

2. The saints among us.

C. The riches of prayer.

D. Jesus goes to prepare a place for us.

IV. Conclusion.

A. The riches of this world only cause us grief in the end.

B. The riches of the Lord can be ours - He adds no sorrow.

Application questions.

1. What is the blessing of the Lord? Why does this trump all other things?

2. What is the danger of false riches? Why are the riches of the Lord sufficient?

3. What riches does your heart pursue? What does your lifestyle say about your treasure? What will you do to embrace the riches of the Lord and forsake the treasures of the world?
