



# CAUSES OF POVERTY AND LACK, AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT

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## God's Promises for Wealth

Deuteronomy 30:19-20; Deuteronomy 28:1-2,8,11,15,47-48; Proverbs 26:2; Isaiah 1:19; 3 John 2; Mark 14:7; Deuteronomy 15:4-5; Proverbs 10:22; 2 Corinthians 8:9; Deuteronomy 8:18; Proverbs 26:2

**Salvation: Soteria** Strong's #4991 all-inclusive word signifying forgiveness, healing, prosperity, deliverance, safety, rescue, liberation, and restoration. Salvation is a present possession with a fuller realization in the future. Christ's salvation is total in scope for the total man: spirit, soul, and body.

## Complaining About Being Poor

**Philippians 4** <sup>11</sup> Not that I speak from want, for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. NASU

**Numbers 14** <sup>26</sup> The LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, <sup>27</sup> "How long shall I bear with this evil congregation who are grumbling against Me? I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel, which they are making against Me. <sup>28</sup> "Say to them, ' As I live,' says the LORD, 'just as you have spoken in My hearing, so I will surely do to you; NASU

**Romans 14** <sup>11</sup> For it is written, "AS I LIVE, SAYS THE LORD, EVERY KNEE SHALL BOW TO ME, AND EVERY TONGUE SHALL GIVE PRAISE TO GOD." NASU

**Psalms 118** <sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I give thanks to You; You are my God, I extol You. <sup>29</sup> Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His lovingkindness is everlasting. NASU

**Psalms 109** <sup>5</sup> Thus they have repaid me evil for good and hatred for my love. <sup>6</sup> Appoint a wicked man over him, and let an accuser stand at his right hand. <sup>7</sup> When he is judged, let him come forth guilty, and let his prayer become sin. <sup>8</sup> Let his days be few; let another take his office. <sup>9</sup> Let his children be fatherless and his wife a widow. NASU

**Psalms 103** <sup>1</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name. <sup>2</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget none of His benefits; <sup>3</sup> Who pardons all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases; <sup>4</sup> Who redeems your life from the pit, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and compassion; <sup>5</sup> Who satisfies your years with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle. NASU

## Refusing To Change

**Proverbs 15** <sup>32</sup> He who neglects discipline despises himself, but he who listens to reproof acquires understanding. <sup>33</sup> The fear of the LORD is the instruction for wisdom, and before honor comes humility. NASU

**Psalms 81** <sup>11</sup> "But My people did not listen to My voice, and Israel did not obey Me. <sup>12</sup> "So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their heart, to walk in their own devices. <sup>13</sup> "Oh that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways! <sup>14</sup> "I would quickly subdue their enemies and turn My hand against their adversaries. NASU

**Jeremiah 7** <sup>24</sup> "Yet they did not obey or incline their ear, but walked in their own counsels and in the stubbornness of their evil heart, and went backward and not forward. NASU

**Jeremiah 9** <sup>14</sup> but have walked after the stubbornness of their heart and after the Baals, as their fathers taught them," NASU

**Romans 2** <sup>4</sup> Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance? <sup>5</sup> But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, <sup>6</sup> who WILL RENDER TO EACH PERSON ACCORDING TO HIS DEEDS: NASU

### Taking Instead Of Giving

**Luke 6** <sup>38</sup> "Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure--pressed down, shaken together, and running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return." NASU

**Proverbs 19** <sup>17</sup> One who is gracious to a poor man lends to the LORD, and He will repay him for his good deed. NASU

**Ephesians 4** <sup>27</sup> and do not give the devil an opportunity. <sup>28</sup> He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have something to share with one who has need. NASU

### Bad Advisors

**Proverbs 13** <sup>20</sup> He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm. NASU

**Proverbs 11** <sup>14</sup> Where there is no guidance the people fall, but in abundance of counselors there is victory. NASU

**Psalms 1** <sup>1</sup> How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, Nor stand in the path of sinners, Nor sit in the seat of scoffers! NASU

**Psalms 26** <sup>4</sup> I do not sit with deceitful men, nor will I go with pretenders. <sup>5</sup> I hate the assembly of evildoers, and I will not sit with the wicked. NASU

**2 Corinthians 6** <sup>14</sup> Do not be bound together with unbelievers; for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness? <sup>15</sup> Or what harmony has Christ with Belial, or what has a believer in common with an unbeliever? <sup>16</sup> Or what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; just as God said, "I WILL DWELL IN THEM AND WALK AMONG THEM; AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE. <sup>17</sup> " Therefore, COME OUT FROM THEIR MIDST AND BE SEPARATE," says the Lord. "AND DO NOT TOUCH WHAT IS UNCLEAN; And I will welcome you. <sup>18</sup> " And I will be a father to you, And you shall be sons and daughters to Me," Says the Lord Almighty. NASU

**1 Corinthians 15** <sup>33</sup> Do not be deceived: "Bad company corrupts good morals." NASU

### Not Tilling The Land You Have

**Proverbs 13** <sup>23</sup> Abundant food is in the fallow ground of the poor, but it is swept away by injustice. NASU

**Ecclesiastes 9** <sup>10</sup> Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might; for there is no activity or planning or knowledge or wisdom in Sheol where you are going. NASU

**Colossians 3** <sup>17</sup> Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father. NASU

**Colossians 3** <sup>22</sup> Slaves, in all things obey those who are your masters on earth, not with external service, as those who merely please men, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. <sup>23</sup> Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, <sup>24</sup> knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve. <sup>25</sup> For he who does wrong will receive the consequences of the wrong which he has done, and that without partiality. NASU