

Pastor Paul's newsletter; tap arrow at the bottom. The world we live in today is very dangerous. We need God in our lives more than ever. See you tomorrow at the Christian Center. Tap on link at 10:45am, if you're out of town.

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Are We Rich or Poor?

Over the last 40 years of ministry, I've watched many people that are well off financially; but they are poor spiritually. If they need a car, they can buy one without any problem. If they need anything in the natural world, they are well able to possess it; but to receive something from God that they really need, they seem to not be able to obtain it. They have spent much of their time trying to obtain natural wealth, and it's payed off. Jesus was talking to a young man that was called a rich, young ruler. I believe that Jesus wanted him to be one of His disciples. Let's read about this man and see what stopped him from achieving this position spiritually.

Mark 10:17-31 NCV As Jesus started to leave, a man ran to Him and fell on his knees before Jesus. The man asked, "Good teacher, what must I do to have life forever?" [18] Jesus answered, "Why do you call Me good? Only God is good. [19] You know the commands: 'You must not murder anyone. You must not be guilty of adultery. You must not steal. You must not tell lies about your neighbor. You must not cheat. Honor your father and mother.'" [20] The man said, "Teacher, I have obeyed all these things since I was a boy." [21] Jesus, looking at the man, loved him and said, "There is one more thing you need to do. Go and sell everything you have, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in Heaven. Then come and follow Me." [22] He was very sad to hear Jesus say this, and he left sorrowfully, because he was rich. [23] Then Jesus looked at His followers and said, "How hard it will be for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!" [24] The followers were amazed at what Jesus said. But He said again, "My children, it is very hard to enter the kingdom of God! [25] It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." [26] The followers were even more surprised and said to each other, "Then who can be saved?" [27] Jesus looked at them and said, "For people this is impossible, but for God all things are possible." [28] Peter said to Jesus, "Look, we have left everything and followed You." [29] Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, all those who have left houses, brothers, sisters, mother, father, children, or farms for Me and for the Good News [30] will get more than they left. Here in this world they will have a hundred times more homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and fields. And with those things, they will also suffer for their belief. But in this age they will have life forever. [31] Many who are first now will be last in the future. And many who are last now will be first in the future."

This rich young man did not comprehend how to become spiritually rich. He knew how to become wealthy in the natural way, but he didn't understand how wealthy he could become if he did what Jesus asked him to do. It was hard for this young man to give away all of his earthly possessions to be part of Jesus' spiritual team. If this young man would have done what Jesus asked him to do, he would have been able to walk with the One that created all wealth. He would have had spiritual wealth, but he also would have

had all the natural wealth he would have ever needed. Jesus knew that this young man loved money more than God. Today we live in a world with people that are very rich according to the world's system. Many of these people hate God and use their money to try to stop God's plan in the earth. But always remember this; people are poor spiritually. We can overcome them with our spiritual wealth, if we acquire it. This is how we do it.

Revelation 3:17-22 NCV You say, 'I am rich, and I have become wealthy and do not need anything.' But you do not know that you are really miserable, pitiful, poor, blind, and naked. [18] I advise you to buy from Me gold made pure in fire so you can be truly rich. Buy from Me white clothes so you can be clothed and so you can cover your shameful nakedness. Buy from Me medicine to put on your eyes so you can truly see. [19] "I correct and punish those whom I love. So be eager to do right, and change your hearts and lives. [20] Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear My voice and open the door, I will come in and eat with you, and you will eat with Me. [21] "Those who win the victory will sit with Me on My throne in the same way that I won the victory and sat down with My Father on His throne. [22] Everyone who has ears should listen to what the Spirit says to the churches."

When we allow Jesus to come into our hearts, He will teach us how to really be rich.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday	Job chapter 3
Tuesday	Job chapter 4
Wednesday	Job chapter 5
Thursday	Job chapter 6
Friday	Job chapter 7
Saturday	Job chapter 8
Sunday	Job chapter 9

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**Here is our NEW link for The Christian Center app- -

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UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Labor Day Picnic: At Camp Faith 11am-3pm. Pot Faith; bring a dish enough for your family, and we'll put everything all together to share

Sunday Schedule

* Prayer: 9am Lee Blvd entrance

* Fellowship in Café 9:15-9:45 am. * Services 10:45 am

Adult, Youth, and Children classes 9:45-10:30 am

Faith Class: -----Michael Whitley

Foundation 1 Class: ---Pastor Paul

Foundation 2 Class: ---Mike Wiggins

Healing Class: -----Lester/Monica Witherspoon

Marriage Class:-----Danny/Demetrice Williams

Prayer Class: -----Joe Cunningham

Children's Sunday School:

6 months - 5th grade

Youth Service: 6th - 12th Lucas/Cyndi Moore

Young Singles/College&Career:-Eliav/Kim Nash

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily

* Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday 6:15-7:15am

* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app

* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Wed-Fri 10-11am

Weekly

* Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes; 10:45am Main Service

* Monday Night Care Group: In Sanctuary under balcony 7pm

* Wednesday night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth area)

* Mobile Prayer: Wed 2-3pm Lee Blvd parking lot; Fri 2-3:30pm Sam's Warehouse

* Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Sanctuary under balcony

Monthly

* Men's Meeting: 1st Saturday in Sanctuary 9-11am Cancelled this month due to the picnic Monday

* Crosses at the Corner: 1st Saturday 11am-1am corner of Sheridan and Cache Rd.

* Women's Meeting: 2nd Saturday 9am in Fellowship Hall

* Women's Discipleship: 3rd Thursday 5pm in Sanctuary

* Horse Ministry: 3rd Saturday 10am-1pm at Camp Faith