

RICH BUT USELESS



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Once upon a time, in a bustling city, there dwelt a man. He had spent years toiling diligently, working day and night to accumulate great wealth and assets. His business ventures had flourished, and his properties had multiplied manifold. As the years passed, his land became more fertile, yielding abundant harvests that exceeded his expectations.

As the coffers overflowed with gold and silver, the man's heart swelled with pride. He felt invincible, believing that he had secured his future and that of his family for generations to come. Amidst the opulence, he often said to himself, "You have plenty laid up for many years; take it easy, eat, drink, and be merry." Little did he know that he was drifting away from something of far greater significance—his spiritual well-being.

One fateful night, as this man rested in his luxurious abode, a sudden affliction befell him. The owner of his spirit, the Creator of all things, summoned his soul from this earthly realm. In an instant, all the

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riches and worldly possessions he had amassed proved futile. As his soul departed, he left behind all that he had acquired, realizing too late that true riches were not stored in earthly storehouses (see Luke 12:16-21)

This man's story serves as a profound lesson for us all. The concept of poverty extends far beyond the lack of material possessions. It is a state of mind, a condition of the soul. Regardless of one's financial standing, everyone possesses valuable assets. Time, peace, relationships, health, material wealth, position—these are all forms of riches that can captivate the soul, sometimes at the expense of spiritual growth and connection with the Divine.

True wealth, the kind that transcends the boundaries of this world, is found in embracing the life that comes through Jesus Christ. It is the wealth of the soul, the peace that surpasses understanding, the assurance of eternity in the presence of the Almighty.

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The pursuit of worldly riches without consideration for God and His kingdom leaves one spiritually impoverished. What good is it to gain the whole world or its riches and lose the very essence of one's being—the soul? It is time to reassess our priorities, to realign them with eternal values and to seek true riches.

As we shift our focus toward Jesus, we find the key to unlocking a life of abundance. By directing our assets, talents, and resources toward the kingdom of God, we invest in treasures that endure beyond the temporal boundaries of this world.

Imagine a life where material wealth is intertwined with spiritual abundance. A life where every endeavor is carried out for the glory of God. A life where peace and joy are not fleeting emotions but constant companions on the journey of faith.

Embracing Jesus as Lord and Savior opens the door to true riches—the kind that enrich our lives and the lives of those around us. It is a path to meaningful existence, where every act of kindness,

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every word of encouragement, and every expression of love becomes a testament to the transformational power of Christ within us.

So, dear friend, heed the call to true riches. Abandon the path of being rich but useless, and embark on a journey of abundant living through Christ. Surrender your heart, your soul, and your life to the One who offers eternal riches beyond measure.

If you are ready to take this life-changing step, pray this heartfelt prayer:

"Dear Lord, I thank You for Your sacrificial love displayed on the cross of Calvary, where You died for my sins. Today, I come before You seeking salvation and forgiveness. Deliver me from all forms of selfishness, and fill me with Your grace to be rich towards You. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen."

With this decision, you open the door to true riches—riches that transcend worldly possessions and lead to an abundant life in Christ. As you walk this path, you will discover the joy of a life well-

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lived—a life that shines brightly as a beacon of hope and love in a world hungry for true riches.

For further counseling and prayer, do not hesitate to reach out.

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