

# Consider Yourself Worth Millions

## Philippians 4:23

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**Introduction:** Money is not always our friend, and a simple lifestyle isn't a bad thing. People with vast wealth can be removed from their money in an instant. We're much healthier when we minimize the importance of wealth we cannot keep, and maximize our enjoyment of the wealth we cannot lose—that inheritance that's ours "according to the riches of His glory in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19).

#### **Primary Scripture Reading: Philippians 4:14-19**

Philippians 4:14-19 (NIV®)

<sup>14</sup> Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. <sup>15</sup> Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; <sup>16</sup> for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. <sup>17</sup> Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. <sup>18</sup> I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. <sup>19</sup> And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

#### The Vault of Scripture

1. Genesis 27:28 (NIV®)

May God give you heaven's dew and earth's **richness**— an abundance of grain and new wine.

2. Ephesians 1:7 (NIV®)

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the **riches** of God's grace.

3. Ephesians 2:7 (NIV®)

...in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable **riches** of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

4. 2 Corinthians 8:9 (NIV®)

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was **rich**, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become **rich**.

5. Luke 12:21 and 1 Timothy 6:18 (NIV®)

"This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not **rich** toward God."  
... Command them to do good, to be **rich** in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.

6. James 2:5 (NIV®)

Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be **rich** in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him?

7. Ruth 2:12 (NIV®)

May the LORD repay you for what you have done. May you be **richly** rewarded by the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge.

8. Psalm 119:14 (NIV®)

I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great **riches**.

9. Psalm 145:8 (NIV®)

The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and **rich** in love.

10. Proverbs 22:1 (NIV®)

A good name is more desirable than great **riches**; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold.

11. Proverbs 22:4 (NIV®)

Humility is the fear of the LORD; its wages are **riches** and honor and life.

12. Proverbs 28:20 and Romans 10:12 (NIV®)

A faithful person will be **richly** blessed... There is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and **richly** blesses all who call on him.

13. Ephesians 2:4 (NIV®)

God... is **rich** in mercy...

14. Isaiah 33:6 (NIV®)

[The Lord] will be the sure foundation for your times, a **rich** store of salvation and wisdom and knowledge; the fear of the LORD is the key to this treasure.

15. Ephesians 1:18 (NIV®)

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the **riches** of his glorious inheritance in his holy people.

16. Ephesians 3:8 (NIV®)

Although I am less than the least of all the Lord's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the boundless **riches** of Christ.

17. Ephesians 3:16 (NIV®)

I pray that out of his glorious **riches** he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being.

18. Colossians 1:27 (NIV®)

To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious **riches** of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

19. Colossians 2:2 (NIV®)

My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they will have the full **riches**...

20. Colossians 3:16 (NIV®)

Let the message of Christ dwell among you **richly**...

21. 2 Peter 1:11 (NIV®)

...and you will receive a **rich** welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

22. That's a fitting reason to let our last verse be a doxology of praise, as found in Romans 11:33:

Romans 11:33 (NIV®)

Oh, the depth of the **riches** of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

## Conclusion:

You and I may never be worth a million dollars, but we're the recipients of a million blessings; we're part of a family of untold millions with whom we will share fellowship forever and ever; our eternal worth and net value is beyond contemplation; and when we've been there ten million years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun. In God's sight, you are a millionaire!