



Riches

Study Verse:

Proverbs 22:4 - The reward of humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, honor and life.

Proverbs 22:1 - A good name is to be more desired than great wealth, favor is better than silver and gold **Philippians 4:19** - And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus **Proverbs 13:22** - A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, And the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.

Proverbs 13:11 - Wealth obtained by fraud dwindles, But the one who gathers by labor increases it. **Proverbs 11:28** - He who trusts in his riches will fall, But the righteous will flourish like the green leaf.

My Thoughts: Have you heard the statement, " They can fall back in poop and get up smelling like a rose " I have quoted the statement myself several times.. Take a minute and just think about that statement.. What is the real meaning of it? I see it as a two sided coin. Depending on the person's character, it can be a warning or complement. If it is of questionable character, well I would not want to associate in business with that person so a warning. Now if the character is of God fearing, hard working, and of honesty, then it's evidence of favor and blessing.

God says that the questionable character, well its rose scented poop is still poop the rose scent will fade, and the God fearing character will be washed clean and blessed.

I know, God didn't say it exactly like that but in applying humor to Proverbs 13:11 he could have (wink wink)

Let's look at God's plan for His Children. I see that he prefers us to be humble, respectful, honest, obedient, wise, and faithful, HE will provide all our needs according to HIS riches in Heaven. Remember, His streets are paved with gold and gates of pearl. I mean no comparison to green paper. Right?

I know we must survive in this world, and it is an everyday obstacle to overcome and a life of endurance, but by holding to the Promises of God the obstacles become smaller and the endurance easier. We can smell the roses without being pricked by its thorns, we can avoid a pile of poop covered with rose petals by listening to God as we follow His path for us. He has already cleared the path. It is ok to gain wealth, but remember where it came from and honor God. Be wise for where much is given, much is required. Return to God your first and best for He has given you His first and best, yet there is no comparison.

Until next time, May God bless, Heal, Protect and grow in you daily. Everyone say, AMEN