

desire to get wisdom?

Proverbs 13:7 One man pretends to be rich, yet has nothing; another pretends to be poor, yet has great wealth.

Proverbs 13:8 A man's riches may ransom his life, but a poor man hears no threat.

Proverbs 11:4 Wealth is worthless in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death.

Proverbs 11:28 Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will thrive like a green leaf.

Proverbs 18:11 The wealth of the rich is their fortified city; they imagine it an unscalable wall.

Proverbs 23:4 Do not wear yourself out to get rich; have the wisdom to show restraint. ⁵ Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone, for they will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle.

6. Proper Priorities

Proverbs 15:16 Better a little with the fear of the LORD than great wealth with turmoil. ¹⁷ Better a meal of vegetables where there is love than a fattened calf with hatred.

Proverbs 16:19 Better to be lowly in spirit and among the oppressed than to share plunder with the proud.

Proverbs 28:6 Better a poor man whose walk is blameless than a rich man whose ways are perverse.

Proverbs 17:1 Better a dry crust with peace and quiet than a house full of feasting, with strife.

Proverbs 22:1 A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold.

Proverbs 22:2 Rich and poor have this in common: The LORD is the Maker of them all.

Proverbs 30:7 "Two things I ask of you, O LORD; do not refuse me before I die: 8 Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. 9 Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, 'Who is the LORD?' Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God.

Proverbs 10:15 The wealth of the rich is their fortified city, but poverty is the ruin of the poor.

PROVERBS - LIVING BY THE WISDOM OF CHRIST

Lesson Eight - The Seven Deadly Sins

1. Covetousness (Greed)

A. What is covetousness?

Proverbs 27:20 Death and Destruction are never satisfied, and neither are the eyes of man.

Proverbs 30:15 "The leech has two daughters. 'Give! Give!' they cry.

B. What are the results of covetousness?

Proverbs 28:20 A faithful man will be richly blessed, but one eager to get rich will not go unpunished.

Proverbs 28:22 A stingy man is eager to get rich and is unaware that poverty awaits him.

Proverbs 15:27 A greedy man brings trouble to his family, but he who hates bribes will live.

Proverbs 28:25 A greedy man stirs up dissension, but he who trusts in the LORD will prosper.

Proverbs 23:6 Do not eat the food of a stingy man, do not crave his delicacies; ⁷ for he is the kind of man who is always thinking about the cost. "Eat and drink," he says to you, but his heart is not with you. ⁸ You will vomit up the little you have eaten and will have wasted your compliments.

C. What is the antidote to covetousness?

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1 Timothy 6:6 But godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. 8 But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. 9 People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. .. 17 Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. 18 Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. 19 In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

2. Pride (conceit)

A. Pride is nothing but sin and unbelief

Proverbs 21:4 Haughty eyes and a proud heart, the lamp of the wicked, are sin!

Proverbs 16:5 The LORD detests all the proud of heart. Be sure of this: They will not go unpunished.

Proverbs 21:24 The proud and arrogant man--" Mocker" is his name; he behaves with overweening pride.

B. The proud will meet destruction in the end

Proverbs 16:18 Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.

Proverbs 11:2 When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.

Proverbs 15:25 The LORD tears down the proud man's house but he keeps the widow's boundaries intact.

C. Why did Solomon have so much to say about pride?

Proverbs 13:10 Pride only breeds quarrels, but wisdom is found in those who take advice.

Proverbs 27:2 Let another praise you, and not your own mouth; someone else, and not your own lips.

Proverbs 25:27 It is not good to eat too much honey, nor is it honorable to seek one's own honor.

Proverbs 25:14 Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of gifts he does not give.

3. Sloth (laziness) (see lesson seven on Work and Wealth)

4. Gluttony (and drunkenness)

Proverbs 23:19 Listen, my son, and be wise, and keep your heart on the right path. ²⁰ Do not join those who drink too much wine or gorge themselves on meat, ²¹ for drunkards and gluttons become poor, and drowsiness clothes them in rags.

Proverbs 23:29 Who has woe? Who has sorrow? Who has strife? Who has complaints? Who has needless bruises? Who has bloodshot eyes? ³⁰ Those who linger over wine, who go to sample bowls of mixed wine. ³¹ Do not gaze at wine when it is red, when it sparkles in the cup, when it goes down smoothly! ³² In the end it bites like a snake and poisons like a viper. ³³ Your