



“The blessing of the LORD, it makes *one* rich, and He adds no sorrow with it.” Proverbs 10:22

The Bible is an intensely practical book. It is not just a book about heaven, nor about those oddball sorts that “have nothing better to do than sit around all day and read it.” Though it is the Redemptive story of God’s great love for mankind, it is not only a book of eternal or heavenly things. The Bible speaks to our day to day living and our day to day loving. It instructs us to have happy and obedient children. It calls us to higher standards in our relationships both in the marketplace and at home. To obey its’ teaching and heed its warnings is to align ourselves with the flow of Heaven – and Heaven lacks for no good thing!

Don’t listen to those who would argue that these verses (and other verses like it) are only speaking of the “riches of spiritual blessings.” That is only a half truth. The blessing of the Lord produces life so rich and abundant that it overflows into every area of living! “Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law... that the blessing of Abraham might come on the gentiles through Jesus Christ, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.” (Galatians 3:13 – 14). Abraham’s blessing, though spiritual, overflowed into the natural. “And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.” (Genesis 13:2). Even his children experienced this over flow of blessing. “Then Isaac sowed in the land, and received in the same year a hundredfold; and the Lord blessed him. And the man became great, and grew richer, until he became very wealthy.” (Genesis 26:12 – 14).

“...and He adds no sorrow with it.” The Father’s heart toward you is not harsh, neither is it unkind. Some folks believe that when a blessing comes into their lives, for some reason God must then balance it out with hardship or trial. Listen friend that is not the nature of God – His thoughts toward you are for good – His gifts are good gifts! (Jeremiah 29:11; James 1:17; Luke 11:11 – 13)

The blessing of the LORD that makes you rich is a covenant right. It has been procured by the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ. It is received by faith and to be used for His glory – free of sorrow! (Romans 8:32)

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