

It's not that I cannot own things, it's just
that I must be careful that the things I own,
do not own me.

*Say, did you
hear the one
about greed?*

Money Doesn't
Always Talk

Money Changes Everything

Where do you see your financial position ten years from now?

WHERE IS COMES FROM "Be especially careful of this dining-room table," the woman told the men refinishing her floors. "It goes back to Louis the Fourteenth." A man replied, "Don't feel bad, if I don't make a payment by Friday, my whole living-room set goes back to Sears on the sixteenth."

SMALL WONDER Two Irishmen who were traveling in the Holy Land came to the Sea of Galilee. They discovered that it would cost them \$50 each to cross the lake by boat. They cried out in protest. The Lakes of Killarney are the most beautiful lakes in the world and one can cross them for a few shillings.

The guide explained: "Oh, but this is the lake Jesus walked on!"

The Irishman quickly retorted: "Small wonder, at the prices you charge for taking a boat."

PROFIT AND LOSS

**"Adversity
reveals
genius,
prosperity
conceals
it."**

I counted all my dollars while God counted crosses;
I counted gains while he counted losses;
I counted my worth by the things gained in store,
But He sized me up by the scars that I bore.
I coveted honors and sought for degrees;
He wept as He counted the hours on my knees.

I never knew till one day by a grave
How vain are the things that we spend life to save.
I did not know till a friend went above
That richest is he who is rich in God's love.

"Hold your thoughts on . . . money by concentration, or fixation of attention, with your eyes closed, until you can actually see the physical appearance of money. Do this at least once a day."

—NAPOLEON HILL, author of *The Law of Success* (1977) and *How to Sell Your Way Through Life*

●It is not the one who has too little, but the one who craves more, that is poor.

—Seneca

You Get What You Pay For



"Every night I have the American dream. And every morning I forget it."

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“The constant winds of petty appetite dissipate the power of response.”

George Sand
(1804–1876)

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MONEY may be the husk of many things, but not the kernel. It brings you food, but not appetite; medicine, but not health; acquaintances, but not friends; servants, but not faithfulness; days of joy, but not peace or happiness.

HENRIK IBSEN

Yeah yeah yeah
Money
Money changes ev'rything
I said money
Money changes ev'rything.

We think we know what we're doing
We don't know a thing
It's all in the past now
Money changes ev'rything.

Money is everything
Money
It changes ev'rything
Money is ev'rything
Money.

What Money Can Buy
Money Will Buy:
A bed BUT NOT sleep.
Books BUT NOT brains.
Food BUT NOT appetite.
Finery BUT NOT beauty.
A house BUT NOT a home.
Medicine BUT NOT health.
Luxuries BUT NOT culture.
Amusement BUT NOT happiness.
A crucifix BUT NOT a Saviour.
A church-pew BUT NOT heaven.

●Even if you sleep in a thousand-mat room, you can only sleep on one mat.
—Japanese Proverb

●To the discontented man no chair is easy.
—Benjamin Franklin

●Who is rich? He that is content. Who is that? Nobody.
—Benjamin Franklin

●Not he who has little, but he who wishes for more, is poor.
—Latin

●Choose rather to want less, than to have more.
—Thomas A. Kempis

VELVET SHOES AND SILK PAJAMAS Harry Emerson Fosdick is credited with the observation that history is filled with the sound of wooden shoes coming up the stairs and velvet slippers coming down. The famous jockey, Eddie Arcaro, was making the same point when he confessed that he found it hard getting up at five in the morning to exercise horses once he started wearing silk pajamas. Humanly speaking, the prize tends to go to those who want it most and work the hardest for it.

Most of the dynamics of wealth are negative. Comfort takes over from creativity. Security becomes a stronger passion than challenge. Velvet slippers and silk pajamas do not put us in mind of Daniel Boone or Thomas Edison. Some have claimed that the Roman Empire fell because its people took too many baths.

TERESA AND COMPANY St. Teresa of Avila used to go walking barefoot across Spain seeking to save the churchwomen of her day from their own too-easy Christian living. Pledged to poverty and obedience, plagued all her life by opposition and open hostility from the prosperous churchmen who preferred wealthy ecclesiastical establishments, still Teresa serenely went around founding more and more houses where women could live and learn disciplined Christlikeness. When money was scarce for going on to the next place she simply said: "Teresa and three cents can do nothing. But God and Teresa and three cents can do anything."

From Twelve Baskets Full by Margaret Applegarth, page 124. Submitted by Don McKenzie, Northway Christian Church, Dallas, TX.

PUTTING IT ALL IN PERSPECTIVE A man asked God how long a million years was to Him. God replied, "It's just like a single second of your time, my child."

So the man asked, "And what about a million dollars?" The Lord replied, "To me, it's just like a single penny."

So the man gathered himself up and said, "Well, Lord, could I have one of your pennies?" And God said, "Certainly, my child, just a second."

ROCKEFELLER The story is told by the chief accountant for one of the wealthiest men who ever lived -- John D. Rockefeller, Sr. Someone asked the accountant one day, "How much did John D. leave? We know he was an immensely wealthy man." Without a moment's hesitation, the accountant answered, "Everything!"
Submitted by Stan Buck, McGawsville U.M. Church, Amboy, Indiana.

MONEY AND THE NEW TESTAMENT Certainly, Jesus didn't avoid the subject of money. Sixteen of His thirty-eight parables deal with how to handle money and possessions. In the Gospels, an unsettling one out of ten verses, 288 in all, focus directly on the subject of money. While the Bible offers us about 500 verses on prayer and less than five hundred on faith, it devotes over 2000 verses to money and possessions. The Scriptures deal with money matters because money matters.

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Packages From Hell . . . Every package from hell comes disguised as ecstasy.