



TRUE RICHES

Live like a millionaire.

My bank account does not measure my riches.

I know I'm wealthy compared to people in third world countries and even compared to many people living below the poverty level in my own country. I don't worry about my next meal or having a safe place to sleep. But I'm no Bill Gates. I still have a lot more things on my wish list than I have money to purchase.

I want to count my riches in terms other than cash or stocks or bonds. I want to focus on the incomparable, immeasurable, exceeding, incredible, unsearchable riches of grace that are mine because of Jesus (Ephesians 2:7; 3:8).



How can I change my focus from what I don't have to what I do have?

- Gratitude: When I thank the Lord for all He has given me (both my spiritual and physical blessings), I recognize Him as the giver of all good things.
- Discovery: When I feast on His Word, I see more of my spiritual riches.
- Generosity: When I give—in worship or in charity—I understand my wealth.
- Discipline: When I budget and control my spending because I prioritize what truly matters, I share God's values.
- Longing: When my desires match God's desires, when I want what He wants, I can rejoice in the abundance of His provisions for me.
- Investment: When I purposefully choose spiritual riches over physical possessions, people over things, and relationships over profits, I demonstrate my understanding of eternal riches.

Turn to Ephesians 1 and begin your inventory of spiritual riches. Make a list of the blessings you have in Christ Jesus. Check out your investments by reading Revelation 21 and its description of what Jesus is preparing for you in Heaven. Count your blessings!