

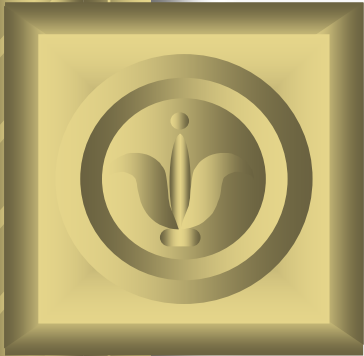


# *Understanding and Knowing God*

*Let Him Who Boasts,*

*Boast in This*

## *Jeremiah 9:23-24*



This is what the LORD says:

"Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom  
or the strong man boast of his strength  
or the rich man boast of his riches,  
but let him who boasts boast about this:  
that he understands and knows me,  
that I am the LORD,  
who exercises kindness,  
justice and righteousness on earth,  
for in these I delight,"  
declares the LORD.



## *Wisdom, Strength, and Riches*

### 1 Kings 3:5-10

...the LORD appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you."

Solomon answered, "...O LORD my God... give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?"



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### 1 Kings 3:11-14

...So God said to him, "Since you have asked for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but for discernment in administering justice, I will do what you have asked. I will give you a *wise* and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be. Moreover, I will give you what you have not asked for—both *riches* and honor—so that in your lifetime you will have no equal among kings. And if you walk in my ways and obey my statutes and commands as David your father did, I will give you a *long life*."



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Ephesians 1:17-19

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of *wisdom* and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the *riches* of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty *strength*,



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### Deuteronomy 8:17-18

You may say to yourself, "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me." But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your forefathers, as it is today.

### Philippians 4:19

And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.



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### Psalm 37:25

I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread.

### Isaiah 55:10

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,



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### 1 Timothy 6:17-18

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. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.



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Proverbs 30:8-9

Keep falsehood and lies far from me;  
give me neither poverty nor riches,  
but give me only my daily bread.

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.



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### Ecclesiastes 10:19

A feast is made for laughter, and wine makes life merry, but money is the answer for everything.

### Ecclesiastes 5:10

Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless.

### Mark 4:19

but the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful.



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### 1 Timothy 6:8-10

But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. 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. 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.



## *Wisdom, Strength, and Riches*

### 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.



## *Wisdom, Strength, and Riches*

### 2 Corinthians 9:9-11

As it is written: "He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.