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Proverbs 23:4-5; Do not wear yourself out to get rich; have wisdom to show restraint. 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.

THE LOVE OF MONEY
By Evangelist Dennis A. Palma

Hello again my brothers and sisters in the Lord Christ Jesus, thank you for sharing this month's inspired message for November 2016 with this ministry. Also, I would like to say thank You Abba Father, Lord Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, for this month's inspired message. Father God, I thank You always in Jesus name, for all the blessings You have bestowed upon this ministry, Hallelujah. Amen!! This month's message has to do with one of man's greatest down falls, money! Money rules the world and is one of Satan's major weapons he uses to attempt to destroy our mind, body, and soul. I am sure that you have heard the old adage that, "Money is the root of all evil." History in it's self, can attest to this fact of life. Money for all intent and purpose is not a bad thing; it's the lack of it and all the improper appropriation of it, that causes all the problems. The problem with money is, it can cause corruption, greed, devastation, and destruction, if we don't keep a close eye on it. Because we all live in a fallen world, we are susceptible at one point or another to the allure of money. Money is a trap set up by Satan the deceiver, to get us hooked just like all the other addictions, such like drugs, sex, gambling and so on. Money is power, and can leave us all with a false sense of security. What does God say about money? The Bible tells us in **Proverbs 11:28** that; **Whoever trust in his riches will fall, but the righteous will thrive like a green leaf.** My friends, the world says to hold on to as much money as possible, however God blesses those who give freely of their own possessions, time, and energy to the less fortunate. When we give, God supplies us with more money, so that we can give more to the needy and less fortunate. In addition, giving helps us to gain a right perspective on our possessions. Once God shows us through His Holy Spirit what money is really made for, we will soon realize that it was never ours in the first place. Money was given to us by God to help others in need, not to be abused by the greedy, selfish, and the prideful. What do we gain by giving? We gain freedom from enslavement to our material possessions, the joy of helping others, and God's approval. **Proverbs 22:2** tells us that: **Rich and poor have this in common: The Lord is the maker of them all.** Also God tells us in **Ecclesiastes 5:10** that; **Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This to is meaningless.** People, who decide to pursue making a lot of money instead of following Jesus, are on the road to perdition according to the Holy Bible. If we are not fully covered with the Holy Spirit's full Armor of Righteousness, the devil can totally blind us with all his lies; because he is

the master of deceptions. My friends in Jesus, if we pursue money as our number one reason for being here on earth, we are making a foolish mistake to say the least. Money can never really make us happy, because in the long run, only God can make us happy and spiritually fulfilled. **1 Timothy 6:6-10** tells us; **But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. 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 the root of all evil. Some people eager for money, have wondered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.**

Instead of all the greed and selfishness in the world, we should honor God and center our desires on Him and Him alone! We should be content with what God is doing in our lives, and not try to take over the world with our greedy obsessions. Rich people craving greater riches can be caught in an endless cycle that only ends in ruin and destruction. How can we keep away from the love of money? (1) We must realize that one day our riches will be gone. (2) Try and be content with what you got and give God daily thanks and praise, for all the blessings He has bestowed upon you. (3) Monitor what you are willing to do to get more money. (4) Say to yourself repeatedly, what price could ever be worth the eternal destruction of my soul? (5) Instead of loving ourselves, love people more than we love money! (6) Love God's work more than being obsessed with money. (7) Don't let money be your own personal god. (8) Never follow the world's way of handling money, for the world's way, is not God's Way. Another thought on money can be found in **Proverbs 28:22** where God tells us that; **A stingy man is eager to get rich and is unaware that poverty awaits him.** Poverty according to God, will prevail for all who are greedy and stingy because selfishness is not of God's Nature. Furthermore, **1 Timothy 6:17-19** says; **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 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. In this way they will lay up treasures for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.** My brothers and sisters, if you have been blessed with wealth, then thank the Lord. Don't be proud and don't trust in your money. Use your money to do good. Be rich in good works, generous, and willing to share. No matter how much money you have, your life should demonstrate that God controls the wealth that He has placed under your care.....Amen!!!

THANKFULNESS

By Sarah Young

A THANKFUL ATTITUDE OPENS THE WINDOWS OF HEAVEN THROUGH WHICH SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS FALL FREELY.

All that is required to rain those blessings on you is your gratitude! It seems such a simple choice; yet we all stumble over it almost every day of our lives. God say's, let Me help you become more grateful so you can receive bountiful blessings through those openings into eternity. As you go about your day, keep these things in mind: Throughout the Bible I repeatedly command thankfulness because it is vital to your well-being. It is also crucial for a healthful relationship with Me, since I am your Creator, your Savior, and your King. When you thank Me, you acknowledge how much I have done for you. This attitude brings Joy both to you and to Me. Giving thanks is similar to priming a pump with water so that it will produce more water. Since thankfulness is one of the spiritual blessings I bestow on you, it will increase along with the others when you "prime" Me with thanksgiving. Remember that I am the God of all grace. When you fail in your endeavor to be thankful, simply ask Me for forgiveness!

A SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FOR NOVEMBER 2016

The Holy Bible tells us in **1 Peter 5:7-9**; **Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings.** My brothers and sisters in the Lord, lions attack the sick, the young, or stragglers; they choose victims who are alone or not alert. Apostle Paul warns us to watch out for Satan when we are suffering or being persecuted. If you are feeling alone or weak, helpless, and cut off from other believers, or if you are so focused on your troubles that you forget to watch for danger, those are the times when we are especially vulnerable to Satan's attacks. During times of suffering, seek other Christians for support. Keep your eyes on Christ, and resist the devil, then "he will flee from you. See **(James 4:7)** for more information about this scripture!

SPIRITUAL WISDOM FOR NOVEMBER 2016

Proverbs 4:18:19; The Path of the righteous is like the first gleam of dawn, shining ever brighter till the full light of the day. But the way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know what makes them stumble.

A SPIRITUAL THOUGHT

Psalms 130:3-4; If you, O Lord, keep a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom!!

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Well my friends, it is my hope that this month's inspired message will help you to better understand what God's Will is all about. If you like this month's message, please pass it on to your family and friends!! Until next month's inspired message with God's help, may the good Lord, richly bless you and your family...Hallelujah...Amen!!



HAPPY THANKSGIVING 2016 FROM THE SPIRITUAL CONNECTION

May we always give the Lord all the thanks and praise He deserves, for His Love, Grace, and Mercy. I ask this in Jesus name Hallelujah...Amen!!