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Dear Brother Faull,

A student sent this to me after having a discussion on homosexuality. Please let me know your thoughts.

As always, you have been my go-to on matters like these. I have often purchased and reviewed your material on this subject. However, I just don't see this topic discussed regarding the "timing" of the word being introduced & this article's interpretation. Here is that article:

HAS "HOMOSEXUAL" ALWAYS BEEN IN THE BIBLE?

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"The word 'arsenokoitai' shows up in two different verses in the bible, but it was not translated to mean "homosexual" until 1946.

We got to sit down with Ed Oxford at his home in Long Beach, California and talk about this question.

You have been part of a research team that is seeking to understand how the decision was made to put the word homosexual in the bible. Is that true?

Ed: Yes. It first showed up in the RSV translation. So before figuring out why they decided to use that word in the RSV translation (which is outlined in my upcoming book with Kathy Baldock, "Forging a Sacred Weapon: How the Bible Became Anti-Gay") I wanted to see how other cultures and translations treated the same verses when they were translated during the Reformation 500

*years ago. So, I started collecting old Bibles in French, German, Irish, Gaelic, Czechoslovakian, Polish... you name it. Now I've got most European major languages that I've collected over time. Anyway, I had a German friend come back to town and I asked if he could help me with some passages in one of my German Bibles from the 1800's. So, we went to **Leviticus 18:22** and he's translating it for me word for word. In the English where it says "Man shall not lie with man, for it is an abomination," the German version says "Man shall not lie with young boys as he does with a woman, for it is an abomination." I said, "What?! Are you sure?" He said, "Yes!" Then we went to **Leviticus 20:13**— same thing, "Young boys." So, we went to **1 Corinthians** to see how they translated 'arsenokoitai' (original Greek word) and instead of "homosexuals" it said, 'Boy molesters will not inherit the kingdom of God.'*

ANSWER:

The proverb says a little knowledge is dangerous. This man proves it. I do not claim great knowledge or Greek pretensions.

I remember when the deniers and pro-homosexuals wanted us to believe that word meant "male prostitution". Sometimes that is who it is talking about so it can be used of them. Now this rascal wants it to mean "sex with young boys". Of course, it would include young boys just as the word "whore" describes a prostitute or a loose housewife or a priest's daughter that engages in intercourse with one who is not her husband. A whore can be paid or

given freebies. A homosexual can be a pagan temple prostitute or a freelancer. He may do it with a young man or an old man. When God speaks of them, He calls them "dogs". "You shall not bring the price of a whore or the price of a dog into the congregation". (See **Deut. 3:18**)

It is just saying not to lie (down) with a male as you do with a woman. What makes the German translation the authority? My Old Testament text uses the word "zakar" there and tens of times in other verses. It is used of male animals or male humans. Males are contrasted to females.

I am wondering why this word is the same in the Old Testament (Hebrew/Aramaic) and in the New Testament (Greek). An Old Testament word should be in Hebrew, not Greek! It is a Greek noun.

Now let's see how dishonest and ludicrous he really is. Look at the examples of this sin in the Bible.

Were those in Sodom destroyed because they were "young men lovers". Did the angels they pursued look like Kids? Do you get that idea from **Genesis 19** or **Jude 1:7**? No!

Was the story in **Judges 19:22** about wanting to pursue a young man or a married man? An old man.

Is there anything to indicate **1 Kings 14:24** involved only young men? Are they pursuing young men only? No!

Romans 1:26 does not refer to age of the participants.

1 Timothy 1:10 is not just about young men, is it?

How about **1 Corinthians 6:9**? What kind of pervert would think Paul only condemned pedophilia here? Incidentally, where does that word ever appear in the Scriptures? Or the actual word "lesbian"? Or "bestiality"? Or "necrophilia"? The act is mentioned, but not the name.

Incidentally, that word "zaka" is used in **Genesis 34:15**. Did Simeon and Levi only kill little boys? Or how about **Ezekiel 16:17**? Only images of little boys or young men? No.

The word "homosexual" did not appear till 1896 so why would you see that word in a KJV in 1611? Here in America the word that was used before that was "buggerism". Indians kicked them out of the tribe. Rome did have its boy lovers as well as the Greeks just as men do today, but to limit that sin to those perverts does an injustice to God's Word.

An act can be called by more than one name. "Intercourse", "coitus", "sex", "fornication", "adultery", all speak of the same physical act.

We do not only see homosexuality mentioned in the Old Testament, it is also called "sodomy". In the same book, men and women are not to have sex with a beast. The word there is "*quadruped*" or an animal which walks on four feet.

Would Mr. Oxford then say it would be okay to have sex with a Kangaroo? Kangaroos are powerful hitters. How about a penguin or an ostrich? Do you see how foolish this is? He is, as Paul says, "a teacher that knows not what he says or what he affirms".

Sex with a male by a male is what God forbids and calls "an abomination" regardless of the age of the victim.

Read the January 2013 Vol. 26 #1 edition of the Gospel Unashamed Article B-617, "*Laws of Sexual Morality – Leviticus 18*" which shows that God is specific who you, as a

man, could not approach. He mentions 15 specific women. He did not give specific commands to homosexuals except the general command, "do not lay with a male as with a female". Why? Because they would need only one command – 'Do not lie (down) with a man as you do a female'.

Thayer says that what it is describing means just that: a male who lies (down) with man as he does a woman.

In Vine's, it says it is a noun. It is a "sodomite".

I hope this plain talk helps.

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Are You Sure You Want to Get Rich?



When I was a young man, I used to tell my friends, "If a millionaire offered me a couple of million dollars, I would tell them not to make the check out to me. I do not want it but make it out to the charities of my choice."

I still feel that way. I know what it is like to be poor, but I also know what it is like to have sufficient. Why would I not want to be rich besides the fact that I do not need it to be happy and content? The Bible gives me many reasons to show why being rich is not all it seems to be.

1. God is the one who gives me power to get wealth and when He gives it, there is no sorrow with it. Deuteronomy 8:18, "But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for *it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth*, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as *it is* this day."

Proverbs 10:22, "The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

2. There is a danger that if I got wealthy I would forget God. Proverbs 30:7-9, "7 Two things have I required of thee; deny me *them* not before I die: 8 Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me: 9 Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say, Who is the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God *in vain*."

Deuteronomy 6:11-15, "11 And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou

plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; 12 **Then beware lest thou forget the LORD**, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. 13 Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God, and serve him, and shalt swear by his name. 14 Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which are round about you; 15 (For the LORD thy God *is* a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth."

3. There is a danger that I would deny God. Deuteronomy 32:15, "But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: **thou art waxen fat**, thou art grown thick, thou art covered *with fatness*; **then he forsook God which made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation.**"

Matthew 19:20-24, "20 The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet? 21 Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go *and* sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come *and* follow me. 22 **But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions.** 23 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, **Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.** 24 And again I say unto you, **It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.**" (Rich young ruler)

4. There is a danger that I would credit my wealth to my own talents and abilities. 1 Corinthians 4:7, "For who maketh thee to differ *from another*? and what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now **if thou didst receive it, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received it?**

1 Chronicles 29:12-13, "12 **Both riches and honour come of thee**, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand *is* power and might; and in thine hand *it is* to make great, and to give strength unto all. 13 **Now therefore,**

our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name."

Deuteronomy 8:17-19, "17 **And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth.** 18 **But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth**, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as *it is* this day. 19 **And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish.**"

Jeremiah 9:23-24, "23 Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise *man* glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty *man* glory in his might, **let not the rich man glory in his riches: 24 But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the LORD** which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these *things* I delight, saith the LORD."

Daniel 4:30-31, "30 The king spake, and said, **Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?** 31 While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, *saying*, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; **The kingdom is departed from thee.**"

5. I would never be able to rest and sleep. Ecclesiastes 5:11-14, "11 **When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what good is there to the owners thereof, saving the beholding of them with their eyes?** 12 The sleep of a labouring man *is* sweet, whether he eat little or much: **but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep.** 13 There is a sore evil *which* I have seen under the sun, *namely*, **riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt.** 14 But those riches perish by evil travail: and he begetteth a son, and *there is* nothing in his hand."

6. I would not know if my friends loved me or my money. Proverbs 14:20, "The poor is hated even of his own neighbour: **but the rich hath many friends.**"

Luke 15:13, 29, "13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living. 29 And he answering said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, **that I might make merry with my friends:**"

Remember the prodigal sons and his friends. **Proverbs 19:4**, "**Wealth maketh many friends**; but the poor is separated from his neighbour."

7. I would never know if my sweetheart was sincere or a gold digger. Judges 16:4-5, 16-17, "4 And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah. 5 And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength *lieth*, and by what *means* we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to afflict him: **and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred pieces of silver.** 16 **And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death; 17 That he told her all his heart**, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I *have been* a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any *other* man."

Remember Delilah.

8. My pride may get the best of me. Ezekiel 28:5, "By thy great wisdom and by **thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches.**"

1 Timothy 6:17-18, "17 **Charge them that are rich in this world, that they**

be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; 18 **That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;**

9. I would be suspicioned of arrogance, deceit, swindling, and dishonest practices; get envied.

Proverbs 18:23, "The poor useth intreaties; but the rich answereth roughly."

10. It may cause me to show favoritism and insult the poor. James 2:1-9, "1 My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with respect of persons. 2 For if there come unto your assembly a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come in also a poor man in vile raiment; 3 And ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing, and say unto him, Sit thou here in a good place; and say to the poor, Stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool: 4 Are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts? 5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him? 6 But ye have despised the poor. Do not rich men oppress you, and draw you before the judgment seats? 7 Do not they blaspheme that worthy name by the which ye are called? 8 If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well: 9 But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors."

11. I may end up greedy and my wealth may testify against me. James 5:1-5, "1 Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you. 2 Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are motheaten. 3 Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped

treasure together for the last days. 4 **Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud,** crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth. 5 Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaughter."

12. I may be tempted to get richer quick.

Proverbs 21:5-8, "5 The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want. 6 The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death. 7 The robbery of the wicked shall destroy them; because they refuse to do judgment. 8 The way of man is froward and strange: but as for the pure, his work is right."

Proverbs 28:20-22, "20 A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent. 21 To have respect of persons is not good: for for a piece of bread that man will transgress. 22 He that hasteth to be rich hath an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him."

13. It may bring me trouble to my family.

Proverbs 15:27, "He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that hateth gifts shall live."

14. I may be tempted to take bribes and not be just. Proverbs 17:23, "A wicked man taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of judgment."

15. It may cause me to lie. Proverbs 19:22, "The desire of a man is his kindness: and a poor man is better than a liar."

Proverbs 28:6-8, "6 Better is the poor that walketh in his uprightness, than he that is perverse in his ways, though he be rich. 7 Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son: but he that is a companion of riotous men shameth his father. 8 He that by usury and unjust gain

increaseth his substance, he shall gather it for him that will pity the poor."

16. It may cause me to not be blessed. Proverbs 20:21, "An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be blessed."

17. It may cause me to oppress the poor. Proverbs 22:16, "He that oppresses the poor to increase his riches, and he that giveth to the rich, shall surely come to want."

1 John 3:17-18, "17 But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? 18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth."

18. I may forget that riches have wings. Proverbs 23:4-5, "4 Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom. 5 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven."

19. It may cause me to run with the greedy. Proverbs 29:24, "Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: he heareth cursing, and bewrayeth it not."

20. It leads me into temptation. 1 Timothy 6:9, "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition."

21. It may cause me to err from the faith as you cannot serve two masters. 1 Timothy 6:10, "For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."

Matthew 6:24-26, "24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye

cannot serve God and mammon. 25 Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? 26 Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?"

22. It may cut my life short. Proverbs 28:16, "The prince that wanteth understanding *is* also a great oppressor: *but he that hateth covetousness shall prolong his days.*"

23. Riches are not a blessing in the end. Ecclesiastes 5:13-16, "13 There is a sore evil *which* I have seen under the sun, *namely*, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt. 14 But those riches perish by evil travail: and he begetteth a son, and *there is* nothing in his hand. 15 As he came forth of his mother's womb, naked shall he return to go as he came, and shall take nothing of his labour, which he may carry away in his hand. 16 And this also is a sore evil, *that* in all points as he came, so shall he go: and what profit hath he that hath laboured for the wind?"

Ecclesiastes 6:1-2, "1 There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it *is* common among men: 2 A man to whom God hath given riches, wealth, and honour, so that he wanteth nothing for his soul of all that he desireth, yet God giveth him not power to eat thereof, but a stranger eateth it: this *is* vanity, and it *is* an evil disease."

Proverbs 22:1, "A good name *is* rather to be chosen than great riches, *and* loving favour rather than silver and gold."

24. The rich still die. Mark 8:36, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

Luke 16:22-23, "22 And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man

also died, and was buried; 23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom."

James 1:10-12, "10 But the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away. 11 For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways. 12 Blessed *is* the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him."

25. I could pass it on to an unknown person causing me to be a poor steward of what God entrusted to me. Psalms 39:6, "Surely every man walketh in a vain shew: surely they are disquieted in vain: he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them."

Luke 12:18-22, "18 And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, *and* be merry. 20 But God said unto him, *Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?* 21 So *is* he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God. 22 And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on."

Psalms 49:10, "For he seeth *that* wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others."

Proverbs 13:22, "A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner *is* laid up for the just."

26. To trust in wealth is foolishness. Psalms 49:6, "They

that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;"

Psalms 52:6-7, "6 The righteous also shall see, and fear, and shall laugh at him: 7 Lo, *this is* the man *that* made not God his strength; but trusted in the abundance of his riches, *and* strengthened himself in his wickedness."

Psalms 62:10-12, "10 Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: if riches increase, set not your heart upon them. 11 God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power *belongeth* unto God. 12 Also unto thee, O Lord, *belongeth* mercy: for thou renderest to every man according to his work."

Proverbs 13:7, "There is that maketh himself rich, yet *hath* nothing: *there is* that maketh himself poor, yet *hath* great riches."

27. I cannot take it with me. Ecclesiastes 5:15, "As he came forth of his mother's womb, naked shall he return to go as he came, and shall take nothing of his labour, which he may carry away in his hand."

1 Timothy 6:7, "For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out."

28. It makes salvation hard to acquire. Matthew 19:16-22, "16 And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? 17 And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments. 18 He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, 19 Honour thy father and *thy* mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. 20 The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet? 21 Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go *and* sell that thou hast, *and* give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me. 22 But

when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions.”

Matthew 19:23-26, “23 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, **Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.** 24 And again I say unto you, **It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.** 25 When his disciples heard *it*, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, **Who then can be saved?** 26 But Jesus beheld *them*, and said unto them, **With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.”**

Luke 12:15, “And he said unto them, **Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.”**

Luke 18:24, “And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, **How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!**”

29. Riches can choke the word (seed) and cannot be fruitful. **Jeremiah 5:27-28**, “27 As a cage is full of birds, so *are* their houses full of deceit: **therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.** 28 **They are waxen fat, they shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge not the cause, the cause of the fatherless, yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge.”**

Matthew 13:22, “He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, **and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.”**

30. I may make my riches my fortress. **Proverbs 10:15**, “**The rich man's wealth is his strong city:** the destruction of the poor *is* their poverty.”

Proverbs 18:11-12, “11 **The rich man's wealth is his strong city, and as an high wall in his own conceit.**

12 **Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour is humility.”**

Proverbs 11:28, “**He that trusteth in his riches shall fall: but the righteous shall flourish as a branch?**

Psalms 52:7, “*Lo, this is the man that made not God his strength; but trusted in the abundance of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.”*

31. I may feel self-sufficient. **Revelation 3:17-18**, “17 **Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing;** and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: 18 **I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.”**

Proverbs 28:11, “**The rich man is wise in his own conceit;** but the poor that hath understanding searcheth him out.”

32. I may think money can solve any problem, but I cannot ransom my brother, nor myself. **Psalms 49:6-12**, “6 **They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches; 7 None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him: 8 (For the redemption of their soul is precious, and it ceaseth for ever:) 9 That he should still live for ever, and not see corruption. 10 For he seeth that wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others. 11 Their inward thought is, that their houses shall continue for ever, and their dwelling places to all generations; they call their lands after their own names. 12 Nevertheless man being in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts that perish.”**

1 Peter 1:18-19, “18 **Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed**

with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; 19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:”

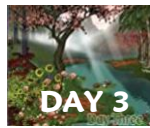
33. It can affect my prayers from being answered. **Proverbs 21:13**, “**Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard.”**

Now admittedly, some of these things are not unique to the rich but they are all applicable to the rich. They have many temptations that the poor do not have and many false illusions of how riches are the solution to all mankind's problems. We believe the inspired writer sums it up very well. It is my prayer.

Proverbs 30:7-9, “7 *Two things have I required of thee; deny me them* not before I die: 8 **Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me: 9 Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say, Who is the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain.”**

So I will not seek quick riches, play the lottery, gamble what God has entrusted to me, be dishonest, use false weights, covet another's goods, take advantage of the poor, take bribes, flatter the rich, show respect of persons for monetary advantage or do anything for filthy lucre's sake. Neither will I rob God nor man. Money is not the end of my existence. **Money is a means to help bring God's Will on earth as it is in Heaven.** Never forget **Proverbs 11:24-26**, “24 **There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty. 25 The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself. 26 He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him: but blessing shall be upon the head of him that selleth it.”**

Are you sure you want to get rich?



Genesis 1-11 Questions

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INTRODUCTION:

As people who are studying to be explainers of the Word of God, we need to be familiar with the following list of problems that we need to know how to answer. These are just from **Genesis Chapters 1-11**. You will be asked these questions, so let us be prepared to answer their concerns.

- + Is **Genesis 1-11** poetic or historical literature?
- + Was the flood a “universal” or “local” flood?
- + Diet of mankind changing from vegetation to carnivorous.
- + How was there enough water to flood the earth?
- + Was there a Gap between **Genesis 1:1 and 1:2**?
- + Was there a pre-Adamic world?
- + How could there be light before sun?
- + How long were the days of creation?
- + How old is the earth now?
- + Why did men live almost 1,000 years?
- + Was Adam really the first man on earth?
- + How could Adam name all the animals in one day?
- + Where did Cain get his wife?
- + Why did God create Satan knowing man would sin?
- + Do we bear the curse of Adam and Eve and die?
- + Is the doctrine of “Original Sin” true?
- + Are the genealogies in **Chapters 5 and 11** true or are there large gaps?
- + Is the chronology accurate?
- + Was Enoch translated up to where God lives?
- + Who were the Sons of God in **Genesis 6**?
- + What does it mean in **Genesis 4:23**, “Then began men to call upon the name of the Lord”?
- + Was the curse of Cain black skin?
- + Was the curse of Canaan, Ham’s son, black skin?
- + Is the covenant of Noah still in force? **Genesis 9**
- + Are **Genesis 1 and 2** different creations?
- + Had it rained before the flood?
- + Was the pre-flood world tropical?



- + Was the Messiah prophesied in Genesis?
- + How could Cain build a city with so few people on the earth?
- + Were there really giants and who were they?
- + Why should a sinless God repent? **Genesis 6:6**
- + How, if all have sinned, could Noah be called a “perfect man”? **Genesis 6:9**
- + Was there really a tower of Babel?
- + What one language did early man speak before God confounded their speech?
- + Did Terah or his son, Abraham, get a call from Heaven? **Genesis 11:31**
- + What does it mean, “The earth was divided in the days of Peleg”?
- + Why was Canaan cursed for his father’s sin? **Chapter 9**
- + Had there been drunkenness before Noah? **Genesis 9:26-21**
- + How was the ark big enough to hold all species?
- + How big was the ark?
- + Why would a good God destroy millions of people by a flood?
- + What color were Adam and Eve?
- + What was so bad about Cain bringing his own product to God?
- + Is there a hint of evolution in **Genesis 1-11**?
- + How did Moses write Genesis if writing was supposedly unknown then?
- + Were there really dinosaurs on the earth?
- + Was the guilt of Adam passed on to us, and is that why we die?
- + If they did not eat meat before the flood, why were there clean and unclean animals?
- + Were animals carnivorous before Adam and Eve sinned, and if so, did not death proceed sin?
- + Was animal’s diet different before sin?
- + Did birds eat worms?
- + What did meat eating fish eat?
- + Did flowers die before Adam and Eve sinned?
- + Was the garden different than outside the garden?
- + Were weeds lying dormant in the ground till sinned entered the world?
- + Why was Eve’s penalty multiplied in conception?
- + How long were they in the garden?
- + Did they keep Sabbath?
- + What was the curse of Canaan?
- + What is so wrong with seeing your father’s nakedness?
- + Did it take 120 years to build the ark?
- + What events in **Genesis 1-11** are in the history of all nations?
- + How many people are estimated to be on the earth at time of flood?
- + How long after creation was polygamy started?
- + Is Gopher wood specific or generic? That is, a type of wood or species of wood?
- + What is meant by “created in the image of God”?

