

Human desires are like the world of the dead -- there is always room for more.

Proverbs 27:20 (GN)

WHY DO I ALWAYS WANT MORE?

BECAUSE OF 3 MISCONCEPTIONS:

1. HAVING MORE THINGS WILL MAKE ME MORE _____.

He who loves money shall never have enough. The foolishness of thinking that wealth brings happiness! **Ecclesiastes 5:10 (TLB)**

2. HAVING MORE THINGS WILL MAKE ME MORE _____.

Beware! Don't always be wishing for what you don't have. For real life and real living are not related to how rich we are. **Luke 12:15 (TLB)**

3. HAVING MORE THINGS WILL MAKE ME MORE _____.

The rich man thinks of his wealth as an impregnable defense, a high wall of safety. What a dreamer! **Proverbs 18:11 (TLB)**

HOW TO BREAK THE POWER OF MATERIALISM

1. RESIST THE _____

Not that we dare to classify or compare ourselves with some of those who are commending themselves. But when they measure themselves by one another and compare themselves with one another, they are without understanding.

1 Corinthians 10:12 (NLT)

2. REJOICE IN _____

Enjoy what you have rather than desiring what you don't have. Just dreaming about nice things is meaningless—like chasing the wind. **Ecclesiastes 6:9 (NLT)**

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." **Hebrews 13:5 (NIV)**

3. RETURN THE _____ BACK TO GOD.

"Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do," says the Lord of Heaven's Armies, "I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won't have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test!" **Malachi 3:10 (NLT)**

... The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives. **Deuteronomy 14:23 (TLB)**

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. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life. **1 Timothy 6:17-19 (NIV)**

4. REFOCUS ON _____

Set your mind on things above, not on earthly things. **Colossians 3:2 (NLT)**

ONE KEY TAKEAWAY

From this message, what is the one key takeaway you will apply to grow your faith?