

What Money Can't Buy...

Psalm 49 :1-20 (page 571)

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Why is this psalm important to us ?

1. It highlighted as to where our **ultimate trust** lies?
2. It highlighted the **limitations** of earthly wealth
3. It highlighted the cost of been **preoccupied** with earthly riches to detriment of one's eternal soul

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Getting Our Attention

Verse 1-4

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1. Hear this, all you peoples;
listen, all who live in this world,
2. both low and high,
rich and poor alike:
3. My mouth will speak words of
wisdom;
the meditation of my heart will
give you understanding.
4. I will turn my ear to a proverb;
with the harp I will expound my
riddle:

Inclusive

Wisdom

Understanding

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5. **Why** should I **fear** when evil days come, when wicked deceivers surround me—
6. those who trust in their wealth and boast of their great riches?
7. **No one** can redeem the life of another or give to God a ransom for them
8. the ransom for a life is costly, no payment is ever enough—
9. so that they should live on forever and not see decay.:

Security

False Security

**Earthy Wealth Has
No Spiritual Value**

The combined financial resources of Monaco

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10. For all can see that the **wise** die,
that the **foolish** and the **senseless** also perish,
leaving their wealth to others.
11. Their tombs will remain their houses forever,
their dwellings for endless generations,
though they named lands after themselves.
12. People, despite their wealth, do not endure;
they are like the beasts that perish.

**Undeniable
Facts**

**Undeniable
Reality**

Singing About The Reality

We're all gonna die someday

- We're all gonna die someday lord
We're all gonna die someday
Mama's on pills daddy's over the hill
But we're all gonna die someday

Cliona Hagan

You're going out the same way you came

- Oh we're going out the same way we came in
Don't matter who you know or where you've been
Makes no difference who you are
Skid Row Joe or superstar
You're going out the same way you came

Big Tom

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13. This is the fate of those who **trust in themselves**,
and of their followers, who **approve** their sayings

Self-Reliant

14. They are like sheep and are destined to die;
death will be their shepherd
(but the upright will prevail over them in the morning).
Their forms will decay in the grave,
far from their princely mansions.

15. **But God** will redeem me from the realm of the dead;
he will surely take me to himself..

God-Reliant

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16. Do not be overawed when others grow rich,
when the splendour of their houses increases;
17. for they will take nothing with them when they die,
their splendour will not descend with them.
18. Though while they live they count themselves blessed—
and people praise you when you prosper—
19. they will join those who have gone before them,
who will never again see the light of life.
20. People who have wealth but lack understanding
are like the beasts that perish.

**Leave
Everything**

Grim Reality



Saint Nicholas Cathedral, Monaco

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Ecclesiastes 7:2 (NIV)

- It is better to go to a house of mourning than to go to a house of feasting, for death is the destiny of everyone; the living should take this to heart.

Facing the reality of death...

- 1. Have you or are you thinking & planning that far ahead?**
- 2. What or who are you trusting when it happens?**
- 3. Based on the fact that wealth has no value once your dead what priorities do need to change before it's to late?**
- 4. What hope if any do you have once you leave this world?**



**Death is the one reality
we all have to experience...**

