

Finding Riches in a Time of Lack

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**“Lack” is a signpost that points
us to the Riches.**

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5-8 If you don't know what you're doing, pray to the Father. He loves to help. You'll get his help, and won't be condescended to when you ask for it. Ask boldly, believing, without a second thought. People who "worry their prayers" are like wind-whipped waves. Don't think you're going to get anything from the Master that way, adrift at sea, keeping all your options open.

5 If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. 6 But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. 7 That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. 8 Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do.

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**I want to help you find three riches
today.**

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1. God is Generous

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Generous - Liberal in giving
characterized by generosity and
willingness to give in large
amounts, given freely, and
abundantly

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And God is able to bless you **abundantly**, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

See what great love the Father has **lavished** on us,
that we should be called children of God! And that is
what we are!

7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace 8 **that he lavished on us.** With all wisdom and understanding, 9 he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, 10 to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.

Generous with..

His Son - John 3:16— he gave his one and only Son,

His Forgiveness Colossians 1: 13-15 we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

His love, Romans 5:8 . But God demonstrates his own love for us in this:

His Direction, Isaiah 30:21 "This is the way; walk in it."

His Gifts, 1 Cor. 12:7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the

His Kindness, Eph 2:7 incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness

His Grace, Romans 5:17 receive God's abundant provision of grace

His provision, 1 Timothy 6:17 who richly provides us with everything

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Generous with..

His care - 1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

His joy Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy

His Power, Ephesians 1:19-20 his incomparably great power for us who believe

His Righteousness, Romans 3:22 This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus

His Favor, 2 cor. 6:2 now is the time of God's favor,

His Peace, John 14:27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you

His Hope , Romans 15:13 overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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2. Fault is no longer a measurement God uses

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**Lack is a temporary reality that the
enemy tries to establish as a
permanent truth**

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3. Walking in Assurance

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- Abundance - You're going to a generous God loving and kind, to help.
- Settle - these truths in your heart. James 1:5
- Know - He is faithful and trustworthy.

16 May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, 17 encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

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