

### Questions to Consider — Lesson 3 — “Rich Man, Poor Man” — James 1:9-11

1. Read James 1:9-11. (a) Skim the rest of the book of James and note how many other references there are to the rich and the poor.  
(b) Why do you think this is so?
2. Memorize James 1:9-10.
3. Read 1 Timothy 6:6-19. (a) What is God’s standard for contentment? (b) What pitfalls await those who desire wealth? (c) What constitutes true riches?
4. (a) Read Proverb 10:15; 13:7; 14:20; 22:2; 22:7; 28:11. Contrast the rich and the poor. (b) What principles can you glean from these verses?
5. (a) In reading the story in Luke 16:19-31, what things stand out to you as warnings to the wealthy? (b) What principles or observations have you gleaned from reading this account?
6. Honestly evaluate where you are financially. (a) Do you believe before God that you are being a good steward of what God has given you? (b) How can you improve? (You might record your spending this week!)
7. Are you rich? Are you poor? Regardless of your financial status, what are some things you can rejoice in today?
8. (a) In what ways either now, or in the past, has money been a trial in your life? (b) Did you pass the test(s)?
9. (a) Are you or anyone you know going through a financial trial? (b) What is your prayer to God through this trial?