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More on priorities...

The Lord has been reminding me about my priorities in life, last week I posted the above on what I felt like He was showing me. This morning in my scripture reading He lead me to Ecclesiastes chapter 7 and verse 12, which brought further understanding of what He has been revealing. I'll copy the verse here and then comment...

"For wisdom is a defence, and money is a defence: but the excellency of knowledge is, that wisdom giveth life to them that have it." ~ Ecc.7:12

So what's important in our lives? Money? We do need it, and it IS a 'defense' against many things, like poverty. In the natural, a man in the world with money has a better chance at life than one without money.(can't say everything at one time, of course we know money can't buy peace, health, love, or salvation...)

But, EXCELLENCY of knowledge tells us that, WISDOM gives life...to them that have it. So I looked up the word 'defence' in the Hebrew, and it means shade, or shadow. Wisdom, as well as money, will 'shade' us, or cast a 'shadow' over us as a protection against what life brings our way. And we know that God is that protection/shield/shade/shadow, and that 'this' wisdom comes from Him, in whom we have LIFE. Some scriptures that shows God as our shade/shadow...

"The LORD is thy keeper: The LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand." [why? to be our defence against...] "The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night." Ps.121:5-6 btw: when I was in construction work back in the 80's, I claimed this scripture daily while working outdoors. Other scriptures that depict God as our shadow/defence...Ps.17:8, Ps.36:7, Ps.57:1, Ps.91:1

It's not that we're not to have any money; it is useful when used according to Godly principles, but it doesn't give life nor point us to Jesus, as does wisdom from God. The knowledge of God with the wisdom He alone can give, IS INDEED A DEFENCE against...ANYTHING.

It's good to have money when one needs it, but it's only temporal for this life...seek wisdom of God, which gives eternal life.

Priorities...need adjusting when not in the right order.

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