

Wednesday Bible Study – October 8, 2014
"How to be Really Rich" – (Revelation 3:18)

Read [Revelation 3:14-18](#).

Revelation 3:18 – *"I counsel you to buy from me gold tried in the fire, that you may be rich, and white raiment, that you might be clothed, and may not be manifested the shame of your nakedness, and eye salve to anoint your eyes in order that you may see."*

Note the diagrams of the [spiritual house of the soul](#), and the [divine power system](#).

SPIRITUAL HOUSE OF THE SOUL

([Another SHS Diagram](#))

- I. Unseen, invisible house in the soul (mind) – Hebrews 6:19 *"This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil"*; Hebrews 10:16 *"This is the covenant that I will make with them After those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws upon their heart, And on their mind I will write them."*
- II. This unseen edifice can only be constructed by God's Word. 2 Corinthians 6:16 *"Or what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; just as God said, 'I will dwell in them and walk among them; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.'"*
- III. This construction is built gradually – *slowly* – like the building of an earthly house.
- IV. Even with this construction, a believer can get out of fellowship.
- V. Each person must choose to construct his own spiritual edifice in his own soul and this takes consistency and persistence.
- VI. This means making decisions daily to receive the mind of Jesus Christ, by learning Biblical precepts.
- VII. Spiritual momentum is gained by making right decisions which results in *true worship*, having an altar in the soul.
- VIII. There are different names for this construction:
 - (1) Imitators of Christ
 - (2) Pleroo – filled full
 - (3) "Christ at home in your heart"
 - (4) "Put on a new man" ([Ephesians 4:23, 24](#))

NOTE the diagram of [God's Family Circle](#).

Note the diagram of [The Grace System of Comprehension](#).

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GOD'S PROVISIONS ARE AMPLE
GOD SUFFERS NO INFLATION
GOD EXCLUDES NO ONE
GOD'S ROYALTY WARDROBE IS EXTRAVAGANT
LIFE CAN BE PRODUCTIVE
GROW IN GRACE AND KNOWLEDGE
PERCEPTION, SELF-DISCIPLINE AND DETERMINATION

No one on this earth can do this for us. Perception, self-discipline and determination are *personal*.

Look again at Revelation 3:18 – *"I counsel you to buy from me gold tried in the fire, that you may be rich, and white raiment, that you might be clothed, and may not be manifested the shame of your nakedness, and eye salve to anoint your eyes in order that you may see."*

Our Lord counsels us to buy from *HIM*, not from the world.

Note the 8 important verbs in this verse:

- Counsel – PAI 1st p.s. of συμβουλεύω
- Buy – AAInf of ἀγοράζω
- Tried – PfPP acc.n.s. of πυρόω
- Rich – AASubj. 2nd p.s. of πλουτέω
- Clothed – AMSubj. 2nd p.s. of περιβαλλω
- Manifested – APSubj. 3rd p.s. of φανερόω
- Anoint – AAInf. of ἐγχρίω
- See – PASubj. 2nd p.s. of βλέπω

COUNCEL – Counsel you

BUY – To buy (get back to Bible Class) – not from the world, the pastor, or the deacons, but from CHRIST. The gold (CHRUSION) is the tried and proven and refined Word of God.

TRIED – Refined and tested in fire; proven and tried in the furnace.

[Become] RICH – *might be* rich.

[May be] CLOTHED – Literally "Throw around" white raiment of God's Word in the soul.

NOT BE MANIFESTED – That the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed.

ANOINT – Infinitive mood means we have to strongly desire to receive what we need to see properly.

MAY SEE – Subjunctive mood means we may or may not do what it takes to see properly.

CAPACITY

- I. CAPACITY FOR LIVING IS TOTALLY DEPENDENT UPON OUR RESPONSE TO GOD.
- II. CAPACITY MEANS THAT WE MOVE FROM INSTABILITY AND INSECURITY TO STABILITY AND SECURITY.
- III. CAPACITY REMOVES THE "ROADBLOCKS" OF THE SOUL.
- IV. CAPACITY MEANS THAT THE PRIORITIES ARE STRAIGHT.
- V. OCCUPATION WITH THE *SOURCE* OF BLESSINGS RATHER THAN THE BLESSINGS REVEALS OWC.
- VI. CAPACITY FOR LIFE, LOVE AND HAPPINESS DERIVES FROM OWC, AND ABSOLUTELY NOTHING ELSE.
- VII. CONSISTENCY IN CHRISTIAN GROWTH IS THE ONLY WAY TO KEEP PRIORITIES STRAIGHT.
- VIII. NEGLECT OF GOD'S WORD WILL SHIFT FOCUS FROM THE BLESSOR TO THE BLESSINGS, ULTIMATELY RESULTING IN ARROGANCE AND CONTENTIOUSNESS ([1 TIMOTHY 6:3-5](#))
- IX. LOVE FOR THE BLESSOR CAUSES THE BLESSED TO TRULY ENJOY THE BLESSINGS.
- X. OUR CONFIDENCE MUST BE IN THE SOURCE OF THE BLESSINGS IN ORDER TO ENJOY THE CONTENT OF THE BLESSINGS.