

VOICE FOR THE POOR

<http://www.encouragementonline.com>

JANUARY 2010

THAT THE POOR OF THY PEOPLE MAY EAT

The LORD God, Being A Gracious God, Did Not Want His People To Be Greedy With All HE Would Give To Them, In 'The Promised Land'.

So often, when GOD Prospers His people, it is Tempting for them to look down on the Poor and the Needy, with lofty and disdainful eyes.

But GOD was mindful that some of His People would hit hard times in this World, so all the way down through 'His Written WORD', From the Book of The Exodus, to The Book of Revelation, HE made mention of 'The Poor'.

"You shall not Afflict any Widow or Fatherless Child." Exodus 22:22. KJV BIBLE. What does this Hebrew word, used here, 'anah' mean to us? Afflict— depress, deal hardly with, looking down or browbeating. Browbeating= to intimidate with harsh, stern looks and talk; bully. GOD does Not want us to do any of these things to the Widow or Fatherless! (If you want to see how Serious GOD Speaks here, read also Verses of Exodus 22:23-24).

"If thou Lend Money To Any Of MY People that is Poor by thee, thou shall not be to him as a Usurer, Neither Shall thou Lay Upon him Usury." Exodus 22:24. Literally, No Interest was to be Charged against GOD'S Poor and Needy!

While GOD'S Prosperous People Prosper In Their Fields Of Business, They Should Always Be Mindful Of Those Who Are In Dire Need, And Leave Something For The Poor!

"When You Reap The Harvest Of Your Land, Thou Shalt Not WHOLLY REAP The Corners Of Thy Field, Neither Shall Thou Gather The GLEANINGS OF THY HARVEST." Lev 19:9.

"For the Poor shall never Cease Out Of The Land: therefore I Command thee, saying, thou Shalt Open thine Hand Wide Unto thy brother, to thy Poor, and to thy Needy, in thy Land." Duet 15:11.



Literally, Directing Your Hand of Power and Means to the Aid of the Poor!

"I Was A Father To The Poor: The Cause which I knew not I Searched Out." Job 29:16. Job Understood that Many People are Poor Because of Personal, Family, Legal, And Financial Conflicts. Job took time to Examine The Root Cause of A People's Poverty, and helped them deal with these Contests. Even Confronting The Injustice Of The Biting Money Lenders, Breaking Their Jaws, And Pulling People Free From Their Devouring Teeth. So The Poor Had A Chance To Begin To Live, Again. (Read all of Job Chapter 29).

"Blessed Is He That Considereth The Poor: The LORD Will Deliver Him In Time Of Trouble." Psalm 41:1. Even Those Who Are Prospering Will Face Troubles, But If The Prospering Ones Are Helping The Poor To Succeed, GOD Will Certainly Deliver Them In Their Times Of Trouble!

"There is that Maketh Himself Rich, Yet Hath Nothing: There Is That Maketh Himself Poor, Yet Hath Great Riches." Proverbs 13:7. (also see Revelation 3:17). There are those who accumulate 'wealth' and never feel like they have enough, but see themselves as constantly needy for more 'gain'. And there are those who are Constantly Giving Out To The Needs All Around Them and Still Have Sufficient Enough For Themselves. They don't just accumulate or hoard.

"He That Giveth To The Poor Shall Not Lack: But he that hides his eyes shall have many a curse." Proverbs 28:27.

When we see the poor, do we turn our eyes away from them? Do we say to ourselves, if I help this person, then I won't have enough for myself? Do we believe that GOD is able to replenish what HE Wants us to Give out?

Now let's read the instructions that JESUS CHRIST Gave to a Rich Young Ruler who wanted to "be perfect" in GOD'S Eyes: "And JESUS Said Unto Him, "If You Will Be Perfect, Go And Sell What You Have, And Give To The Poor, And You Will Have Treasure In Heaven, Then Come And Follow Me." Matthew 19:21. All GOD'S Children should know, that it is far Wiser to Store up Treasures in Heaven than down here on Earth, where it can be Robbed by the Capitalists.

And JESUS CHRIST went on to Say: "When You Make A Dinner, or Supper, Call not Your Friends, nor Your Brothers, Neither Your Kinsmen, Nor Your Rich Neighbors, Lest They Invite You Over In Return, and Pay You Right Back."



"Instead, When You Make A Feast, Invite The Poor, The Maimed, The Crippled And The Blind:"

"And You Will Be (Supremely) Blessed; For They Cannot Repay You: For You Shall Be Repaid At The Resurrection Of The Just." Luke 14:12-14. It is One Thing To Have Christ's Righteousness By Faith, but We Also Need The Righteous Works He Gives Us To Do For The Poor. Then We Are Righteous In Character And Actions!

Because Men have been Greedy And Pilled Up Resources For Themselves, Upon GOD'S Bountiful Earth, Millions Of People Go Hungry.....