The Searching Heart – Pt. 5 Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

| 1. | Our heart searches for | | |
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| | a. Money is a master of opportunity. | | |
| | b. Money is a master of | | |
| | c. Money is a master of | | |
| | d. Money is a master of fortune. | | |
| 2. | Money is a master of everythingof a person. | the | |

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20 (NIV)

- ¹⁰ Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless.
- ¹¹ As goods increase, so do those who consume them. And what benefit are they to the owner except to feast his eyes on them?
- ¹² The sleep of a laborer is sweet, whether he eats little or much, but the abundance of a rich man permits him no sleep.
- ¹³ I have seen a grievous evil under the sun: wealth hoarded to the harm of its owner,
- ¹⁴ or wealth lost through some misfortune, so that when he has a son there is nothing left for him.
- ¹⁵ Naked a man comes from his mother's womb, and as he comes, so he departs. He takes nothing from his labor that he can carry in his hand.
- ¹⁶ This too is a grievous evil: As a man comes, so he departs, and what does he gain, since he toils for the wind?
- ¹⁷ All his days he eats in darkness, with great frustration, affliction and anger.
- ¹⁸ Then I realized that it is good and proper for a man to eat and drink, and to find satisfaction in his toilsome labor under the sun during the few days of life God has given him--for this is his lot.
- ¹⁹ Moreover, when God gives any man wealth and possessions, and enables him to enjoy them, to accept his lot and be happy in his work--this is a gift of God.
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| 3. Our search for money is a search for internal |
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| but internal satisfaction comes when grants it. |
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| 4. Don't be mastered by money, be by |
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| Matthew 6:24 (NIV) 24 "No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or h will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money. |
| 5. How do you if money is your master? |
| a. If you to get it. |
| b. If you are giving it. |
| c. If you never have of it. |
| d. If you love to it. |
| e. If you take of people to receive it. |