Psalm 49:1-20 In God We Trust Falls Ch. November 15 and 22, 2026

Trusting in wealth is a tragic error; trusting in Christ gains our everlasting redemption.

Mark 8:37, "*…what can a man give in return for his soul?*"
Matthew 20:28, "*…Son of Man came…to give His life as a <u>ransom</u> for many*."

1. Christ calls the masses with the voice of wisdom - that we avoid the tragic error of trusting in wealth for the ransom of our souls from death. (v.1-4)

Psalm 47:1a	1 Kings 22:28	Job 34:2-4
Psalm 50:1	Micah 1:2	Matthew 24:38
Matthew 11:15	Deuteronomy 6:4	Isaiah 29:13
Isaiah 50:4-5a	Proverbs 1:1-7	1 Kings 10:1
Psalm 47:1	Psalm 33:1-5	

2. Trusting in wealth could be the costliest error that a person could ever make – since wealth cannot buy our soul's redemption from death. (v.5-12)

Genesis 27:36	Matthew 5:26	Matthew 18:34
Ezekiel 7:19	Mark 8:37	Psalm 16:10
Matthew 10:28	Genesis 2:19	Genesis 2:7
Genesis 3:19	Daniel 7:13-14	

3. By trusting in Christ our Shepherd, God will redeem us from death. (v.13-20)

Romans 1:32	Psalm 44:11	Psalm 44:22
Psalm 23:1-6	Job 18:14	Psalm 4:8
Psalm 46:5b	Genesis 1:26,28	Luke 2:52
Matthew 13:54	1 Cor. 15:54-57	Luke 16:19-31
Job 1:21	Ecclesiastes 5:15	1 Timothy 6:7
Luke 12:19	1 Peter 3:18	Luke 12:13-21

Conclusion: What is the opposite of this error, or how can we avoid this fundamental error of trusting in wealth?

1 Timothy 6:17-19
John 14:1-6
Isaiah 55:1-13
Revelation 22:17

<u>How do we apply this to ourselves as Christians?</u>
What are the spiritual dangers of money for unbelievers? ….for believers? 1 Timothy 6:3-10
What do we learn here about the reversal of earthly relationships after we die? Luke 16:22-25
Closely observe verse 13 again. What is the connection between self-reliance and wealth?

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