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Quotes about Wealth

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Wealth unused might as well not exist.

- Aesop

A man who has a million dollars is as well off as if he were rich.

- Astor, John Jacob

The only thing I like about rich people is their money.

- Astor, Lady Nancy

The fortune which nobody sees makes a person happy and unenvied.

- Bacon, Francis

But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. [Matthew 6:20]

- Bible

Wealth maketh many friends. [Proverbs 19:4]

- Bible

Wealth acquired by vanity shall be diminished; but he that gathers it by labor shall increase.

- Bible

It ain't so much trouble to get rich as it is to tell when we have got rich.

- Billings, Josh

The only point in making money is, you can tell some big shot where to go.

- Bogart, Humphrey

The reason why we see that people of the greatest capacity are not rich, is either they despise wealth in comparison to something else, or, they are not content in getting an estate, unless they may do it in their own way, while at the same time enjoying all the pleasures and gratitude's of life.

- Budgell, Eustace

It is, generally, in the season of prosperity that men discover their real temper, principles, and designs.

- Burke, Edmund

If we command our wealth, we shall be rich and free. If our wealth commands us, we are poor indeed.

- Burke, Edmund

For Wealth are all things that conduce, to one's destruction or their use. A standard both to buy and sell, all things from heaven down to hell.

- Butler, Samuel

The day is not far distant when the man who dies leaving behind him millions of available wealth, which was free for him to administer during life, will pass away unwept, unhonored, and unsung, no matter to what uses he leave the dross which he cannot take with him. Of such as these the public verdict will then be: The man who dies thus rich dies disgraced. Such, in my opinion, is the true gospel concerning wealth, obedience to which is destined some day to solve the problem of the rich and the poor.

- Carnegie, Andrew

Surplus wealth is a sacred trust which its possessor is bound to administer in his lifetime for the good of the community.

- Carnegie, Andrew

The way to become rich is to put all your eggs in one basket and then watch that basket.

- Carnegie, Andrew

A wise man looks upon men as he does on horses; all their comparisons of title, wealth, and place, he consider but as harness.

- Cecil, Robert

The gratification of wealth is not found in mere possession or in lavish expenditure, but in its wise application.

- Cervantes, Miguel De

To live content with small means; to seek elegance rather than luxury, and refinement rather than fashion; to be worthy, not respectable, and wealthy, not rich; to study hard, think quietly, talk gently, act frankly; to listen to stars and birds, to babes and sages, with open heart; to bear all cheerfully, do all bravely, await occasions, hurry never. In a word, to let the spiritual, unbidden and unconscious, grow up through the common. This is to be my symphony.

- Channing, William Henry

If prosperity is regarded as the reward of virtue it will be regarded as the symptom of virtue.

- Chesterton, Gilbert K.

There are many definite methods, honest and dishonest, which make people rich; the only instinct I know of which does it is that instinct which theological Christianity crudely describes as the sin of avarice.

- Chesterton, Gilbert K.

We are stripped bare by the curse of plenty.

- Churchill, Winston

Wealth is an inborn attitude of mind, like poverty. The pauper who has made his pile may flaunt his spoils, but cannot wear them plausibly.

- Cocteau, Jean

If you see yourself as prosperous, you will be. If you see yourself as continually hard up, that is exactly what you will be.

- Collier, Robert

It is only when the rich are sick that they fully feel the impotence of wealth.

- Colton, Charles Caleb

Wealth after all is a relative thing since he that has little and wants less is richer than he that has much and wants more.

- Colton, Charles Caleb

Wealth, howsoever got, in England makes lords of mechanics, gentlemen of rakes;
Antiquity and birth are needless here; 'Tis impudence and money makes a peer.

- Defoe, Daniel

By desiring little, a poor man makes himself rich.

- Democritus

He that is rich is wise.

- Depoe, Daniel

The secret point of money and power in America is neither the things that money can buy nor power for power's sake... but absolute personal freedom, mobility, privacy. It is the instinct which drove America to the Pacific, all through the nineteenth century, the desire to be able to find a restaurant open in case you want a sandwich, to be a free agent, live by one's own rules.

- Didion, Joan

There is a gigantic difference between earning a great deal of money and being rich.

- Dietrich, Marlene

The first wealth is health.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

Without a rich heart, wealth is an ugly beggar.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

Wealth is in applications of mind to nature; and the art of getting rich consists not in industry, much less in saving, but in a better order, in timeliness, in being at the right spot.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

Great abundance of riches cannot be gathered and kept by any man without sin.

- Erasmus, Desiderius

The petty economies of the rich are just as amazing as the silly extravagances of the poor.

- Feather, William

Industry, perseverance, and frugality make fortune yield.

- Franklin, Benjamin

He does not possess wealth that allows it to possess him.

- Franklin, Benjamin

The way to wealth depends on just two words, industry and frugality.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Wealth is not his that has it, but his that enjoys it.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Controlled time is our true wealth.

- Fuller, Buckminster

Wealth, in even the most improbable cases, manages to convey the aspect of

intelligence.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

The conspicuously wealthy turn up urging the character building values of the privation of the poor.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

Wealth is not without its advantages and the case to the contrary, although it has often been made, has never proved widely persuasive.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

No one should be rich except those who understand it.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The wealth that cannot be administered is a burden.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey, where wealth accumulates, and men decay.

- Goldsmith, Oliver

The smell of profit is clean and sweet, whatever the source.

- Juvenal, (Decimus Junius Juvenalis)

It is sheer madness to live in want in order to be wealthy when you die.

- Juvenal, (Decimus Junius Juvenalis)

This country cannot afford to be materially rich and spiritually poor.

- Kennedy, John F.

That some should be rich, shows that others may become rich, and, hence, is just encouragement to industry and enterprise.

- Lincoln, Abraham

I've been more bossed by my fortune than it has been bossed by me.

- Lippett, John P.

It is great wealth to a soul to live frugally with a contented mind.

- Lucretius

Fortune gives too much to many, enough to none.

- Martial, Marcus Valerius

You may have tangible wealth untold, caskets of jewels and coffers of gold. Richer than I you could never be; I know someone who told stories to me.

- Maus, Cynthia Pearl

Wealth is so much the greatest good that Fortune has to bestow that in the Latin and English languages it has usurped her name.

- Melbourne, Lord

No just person ever became quickly rich.

- Menander of Athens

Let none admire that riches grow in hell; that soil may best deserve the precious bane.

- Milton, John

There's nothing so comfortable as a small bankroll. A big one is always in danger.

- Mizner, Wilson

A man's true wealth is the good he does in the world.

- Mohammed

'Tis a sort of duty to be rich, that it may be in one's power to do good, riches being another word for power.

- Montagu, Lady Mary Wortley

The main source of our wealth is goodness. The affections and the generous qualities that God admires in a world full of greed.

- Montapert, Alfred A.

There must be a reason why some people can afford to live well. They must have worked for it. I only feel angry when I see waste. When I see people throwing away things that we could use.

- Mother Teresa

Wealth often takes away chances from men as well as poverty. There is none to tell the rich to go on striving, for a rich man makes the law that hallows and hollows his own life.

- O'Casey, Sean

Every day I get up and look through the Forbes list of the richest people in America. If I'm not there, I go to work.

- Orben, Robert

Although they possess enough, and more than enough still they yearn for more.

- Ovid

You can never be too rich or too thin.

- Simpson, Wallis

Short of genius a rich man cannot even imagine poverty.

- Peguy, Charles

Don't knock the rich. When did a poor person give you a job?

- Peter, Laurence J.

Wealth is well known to be a great comforter.

- Plato

Where there are friends there is wealth.

- Plautus, Titus Maccius

But Satan now is wiser than of yore, and tempts by making rich, not making poor.

- Pope, Alexander

A rich widow weeps with one eye and signals with the other.

- Proverb

As the person who has health is young, so the person who owes nothing is rich.

- Proverb

You can't take it with you when you go.

- Proverb

After a rich man gets rich, his next ambition is to get richer.

- Proverb, American

A wise man's day is worth a fool's life.

- Proverb, Arabian

It is a wise man who lives with money in the bank, it is a fool who dies that way.

- Proverb, French

Of the wealth of the world each has as much as they take.

- Proverb, Italian

Plenty makes dainty!

- Proverb, Scottish

A rich man is either a scoundrel or the heir of a scoundrel.

- Proverb, Spanish

A penny is a lot of money, if you have not got a penny.

- Proverb, Yiddish

Wealth is the product of man's capacity to think.

- Rand, Ayn

The only thing wealth does for some people is to make them worry about losing it.

- Rivarol, Antoine

The only question with wealth is, what do you do with it?

- Rockefeller, John D.

Just think how happy you would be if you lost everything you have right now, and then got it back again.

- Rodman, Frances

Wealth is not a matter of intelligence it's a matter of inspiration.

- Rohn, Jim

Probably the greatest harm done by vast wealth is the harm that we of moderate means do ourselves when we let the vices of envy and hatred enter deep into our own natures.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

As long as there are rich people in the world, they will be desirous of distinguishing themselves from the poor.

- Rousseau, Jean Jacques

What right have you to take the word wealth, which originally meant well-being, and degrade and narrow it by confining it to certain sorts of material objects measured by

money.

- Ruskin, John

What difference does it make how much you have? What you do not have amounts to much more.

- Seneca

The odious and disgusting aristocracy of wealth is built upon the ruins of all that is good in chivalry or republicanism; and luxury is the forerunner of a barbarism scarcely capable of cure.

- Shelley, Percy Bysshe

What a lot of things there are a man can do without.

- Socrates

Rich people without wisdom and learning are but sheep with golden fleeces.

- Solon

He that is proud of riches is a fool. For if he is exalted above his neighbors because he has more gold, how much inferior is he to a gold mine.

- Taylor, Jeremy

A man is rich in proportion to the number of things he can afford to let alone.

- Thoreau, Henry David

Superfluous wealth can buy superfluities only. Money is not required to buy one necessary of the soul.

- Thoreau, Henry David

Wealth is the ability to fully experience life.

- Thoreau, Henry David

What is the most important for democracy is not that great fortunes should not exist, but that great fortunes should not remain in the same hands. In that way there are rich men, but they do not form a class.

- Tocqueville, Alexis De

This is the law of prosperity. When apparent adversity comes, be not cast down by it, but make the best of it., and always look forward for better things, for conditions more prosperous.

- Trine, Ralph Waldo

A great fortune in the hands of a fool is a great misfortune.

- Unknown, Source

Adulation is the ever ready attendant to great wealth.

- Unknown, Source

How much money is enough?

- Unknown, Source

Riches have never fascinated me, unless combined with the greatest charm or distinction.

- Unknown, Source

Some people lose their health getting wealth and then lose their wealth gaining health.

- Unknown, Source

Wealth is what gives you the right to preach about the virtues of poverty.

- Unknown, Source

Worldly riches are like nuts; many a tooth is broke in cracking them, but never is the stomach filled with eating them.

- Venning, R.

Whether you wind up with a nest egg or a goose egg depends on the kind of chick you married

- Wall Street Journal

Wealth is not in making money, but in making the man while he is making money.

- Wicker, John

Every man of ambition has to fight his century with its own weapons. What this century worships is wealth. The God of this century is wealth. To succeed one must have wealth. At all costs one must have wealth.

- Wilde, Oscar

Ordinary riches can be stolen, real riches cannot. In your soul are infinitely precious things that cannot be taken from you.

- Wilde, Oscar

He is a great simpleton who imagines that the chief power of wealth is to supply wants. In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred it creates more wants than it supplies.

- Wirt, W.

I have about concluded that wealth is a state of mind, and that anyone can acquire a wealthy state of mind by thinking rich thoughts.

- Young, Andrew

Can wealth give happiness? look around and see, what gay distress! what splendid misery! Whatever fortunes lavishly can pour, the mind annihilates and calls for more.

- Young, Andrew

One of the keys to wealth is to understand why & how the distance from 1 to 1 million is greater than the distance from 3 million to 5 million.

- Parslow, Eric

"wealth stays with us a little moment if at all: only our characters are steadfast, not our gold".

- Euripides



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