

Treasures Ignored

An elderly woman in Scotland lived in abject poverty. Many years earlier, her son had left to live in America and had not returned to visit.

One day, a friend inquired, "Does your son ever help you?" Reluctantly, she admitted, "No, but he writes me nice long letters and sends me interesting pictures."



The friend wanted to speak harshly of the man, but he held back and simply asked, "May I see the pictures?"

The woman took them out of the drawer, and to the friend's amazement, they were all sizable bank notes. Through the years, she had been needlessly living in poverty.

How sad, you say.



But many Christians are like that. They exist as spiritual paupers while possessing unlimited wealth. By failing to read and study the Scriptures, they neglect to cash in on their treasures.

It's up to us.

We can neglect God's Word or we can appropriate its riches by studying the Bible and letting God's Spirit teach us.

I love Your commandments more than gold, yes, than fine gold! (Psalm 119:127).

– Beecher Hunter