

POVERTY IS NOT A PROBLEM.

It is a result!

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Proverbs 13:18

There is a huge misconception about poverty. Many people believe that poverty is a problem. Poverty **PRODUCES** problems but it's not a problem.

POVERTY IS A RESULT!

The difference between a problem and a result is very distinct. A problem is any question or matter involving **DIFFICULTY**. Results are the **CONSEQUENCES** of actions and circumstances.

You may be thinking, why is this important to know? Understanding that poverty is a result will help you examine the quality of your decisions.

Proverbs 13:18 says, "*Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction: but he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.*"

Poverty is the **CONSEQUENCE** of bad, immoral, reckless, sinful and selfish decisions. The wholistic definition of poverty is **LACK!** Not having enough of what you need to accomplish what you are trying to do.

The way you see poverty will determine how you will make decisions. People who see poverty as the problem will continue to make **CARELESS** decisions. People who view poverty as a **RESULT** will **VALUE** the way they make decisions.

Poverty will never be eradicated in the world because people will continue to make foolish decisions. This does not have to be you. The wiser your decisions are the more abundant your results will be.

DECISIONS DECIDE SEASONS

Creating seasons of poverty is **YOUR** choice, not God's.

Creating seasons of loss is **YOUR** choice, not God's.

Creating seasons of pain is **YOUR** choice, not God's.

Religious people will tell you that God wants you to go through hard times to learn a lesson. This is a huge lie!

The Lord never wanted any of His people to go through hard times. As a matter of fact, the Lord was upset with Adam for breaking the cycle of prosperity in Genesis chapter two and three.

God told Adam you can eat from any tree in the garden except from a particular tree. If Adam would have made the right decision and followed the Lord while leading Eve, all would be well with humanity. A **SINFUL DECISION** created the world's poverty.

**DISOBEDIENCE WAS THE PROBLEM.
POVERTY WAS THE RESULT!**

Poverty is not a problem. People's **DECISIONS** are the problem. If you can upgrade the quality of your decision making you will reduce poverty in your life. Whether it be a lack of understanding, healthy relationships, money, opportunities, health, energy, time, peace, resources, etc. The list is endless.

**PEOPLE STAY POOR BECAUSE THEY CONTINUE
TO MAKE BAD DECISIONS!**

The punishment for bad decision-making is poverty.

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