## FOOD FOR THOUGHT #9

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all of these things shall be added unto you. (St. Matthew 6:33)

We are living in a time when society seems to be seeking everything except God. Unfortunately, this attitude has crept into the church as well. There seems to be a total thrust for prosperity. We want the gifts without the giver, the healing without the healer and divine favor without any commitment or accountability. Just give me, give me, give me.

Money is not inherently evil. Therefore to have money and to have riches is not a sin. However, to place more emphasis on material things than on God is a direct violation of his first commandment to us which states that we should not have any other gods before him.

When our first passion and priority is to seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness, then God will bless us with the prosperity. God wants to give us things even more than we want things but he wants us to have things and not let things have us. Therefore let us render unto Caesar the things that are Caesars but render unto God the things that are God's.

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