



How is Your Health?

Part II

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¹ Then it happened in the spring, at the time when kings go out to battle, that David sent Joab and his servants with him and all Israel, and they destroyed the sons of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. But David stayed at Jerusalem.

² Now when evening came David arose from his bed and walked around on the roof of the king's house, and from the roof he saw a woman bathing; and the woman was very beautiful in appearance.

II Samuel 11:1-2

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A. “In real knowledge” refers not uncontrolled emotions, but divine love that is regulated by the knowledge of God’s Word.

B. “All discernment” refers to moral perception and “insight” (NIV). Real love is NOT blind.

II. Pursues Excellence (vs.10a)





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- In Greek, the word “excellent” (*diaphero*) literally means ‘to differ.’
- Paul wanted the Philippians to know the difference between what was a **priority** or what was not; between what is better or “best” (NIV).

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B. Talent:

- I Pet.4:10—“*As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.*”

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C. Treasure:

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1. God owns it all.

*The earth is the LORD's, and all it contains, The world,
and those who dwell in it.* Psalms 24:1

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C. Treasure:

2. Your heart follows your money, not the other way around.

²¹ for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:21

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C. Treasure:

3. *“Love of money is the root of all sorts of evil”*

¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

I Tim.6:10

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C. Treasure:

4. Malachi 3:8 warns us about stealing from God when we don't tithe.

“Will a man rob God? Yet you are robbing Me! But you say, ‘How have we robbed You?’ In tithes and offerings.

II. Pursues Excellence (vs.10a)



C. Treasure:

5. Principle of giving God our "*first fruits*". We tithe our gross, not net. We want to give to the Lord before the government takes theirs.

*Honor the LORD from your wealth
And from the first of all your produce;*
Proverbs 3:9

III. Pursues Integrity (vs.10b)



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- The Greek word translated “sincere” means “genuine.”
- Integrity is pursuing to live a life of genuine character; “blameless” or above reproach

IV. Pursues Righteousness (vs.11)

