

Psalm 49:12-20

The first half of this Psalm introduced the theme of the futility of gaining riches when wealth cannot buy God's favor or redemption. That theme continues in verses 12-20, reminding us that even receiving honor among the men of this world is only vanity and short lived when set against the grave.

Once again, living one's life seeking fame and fortune with no regard for eternity is contrasted to the hope that is presented in verse 15, where those who walk with the Lord can declare along with the Psalmist that **"God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol, for he will receive me"**

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