

"You will never lose interest when you invest (IRA) In Righteousness Always."

## **Retirement Fund**

A year ago, I retired from my place of employment which I was at for over 27 years. I recently got a letter that the company was being sold and my 401k would be frozen for a year unless I moved it by a certain date. The Lord brought a finical adviser to my history committee recently and we began the process.

I was greatly surprised by the amount that was in my retirement fund. I suggested to the adviser that I could take half of that and pay off my mortgage. She relayed "That is not the amount you get. You must pay about 30% taxes." I said, "But I am retired. I make less money, now. I should have fun with my fund. Is not what it was for?"

When my father passed away at age 90, he had a very large amount of money in his retirement fund. However, during his final years, he claimed that he could not afford things that he wanted. That large amount of savings was useless to him.

I had an Uncle who had his retirement money invested in stocks. He was contently watching the stock market. His net worth kept going up and down, up and down. That would drive me nuts. Invest in gold, they say. But why? That is used on streets in heaven.

What is the reason for a retirement fund if taxes, inflation, fees, bad investments, retirement and nursing homes will take most of it? Hiding it in a mattress does not seem like a bad idea.

But a better idea is to invest it in a place where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, where thieves do not break through and steal, where taxes, inflation, stock market and others cannot touch it. That is right you cannot take it with you, but you can have treasurers in heaven waiting for you.

We will receive crowns of glory for our service. We will be walking on streets of gold. We will have mortgage free mansions. Until then we are to be wise and thankful stewards of what the Lord has given us. We are not to worry about tomorrow because our God will supply all our needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.



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"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Matt 6:21



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