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The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

**2 Cor. 6:16** *What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be My people."* (NIV)

In today's society, most people spend the most on their dwelling. I've seen some pretty amazing homes that seemed more like a castle. I was just looking one day and found a mansion high in the mountains of Colorado that was twenty-one thousand square feet with fourteen bedrooms, and sixteen bathrooms. It was centrally located on a one-hundred-and-forty-acre tract of the most beautiful Colorado country you could imagine. The list price: one -hundred-twenty-six million dollars. What a steal! Oh, I forgot to mention the under-ground garage that would house up to thirty vehicles! First of all, who could afford a place like this? Who could have a family that needed this kind of space? Who would want to clean all the bathrooms?

Compare that with the worth of our physical bodies. It has been said that the worth of just the physical make-up of a person is about \$1.74. But the value of our spiritual body is priceless! So, what determines the value of a property? It is the price that is paid for it. Since we are the temple of the living God, we know the price paid was worth everything. It cost God His only Son! But look what He has purchased. He has bought a personal dwelling. He now lives in everyone who has received His gift of salvation. The word dwell means to occupy. We often think of Heaven as God's home, but literally, He lives in the lives of every person who will receive Him as their guest. **Rev. 3:20** *Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with Me.* (NIV) He has gone from walking among us to living in us. He is leaving His footprints in my heart. In the Old Testament, He would come and go, but because of Jesus, He's here to stay. He has moved in to stay. And because He is here, we are now His Holy Place. Hallelujah!

**Dear LORD, how blessed we are to have You in our lives. Without you, we would truly be worthless, but You have given us life and to You, we were worth everything. We praise You. In Jesus Name, Amen**