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Hello and thanks for joining in on to today's daily devotion. Today is Thursday January 7th. The 5th day of the Hebraic week.

Our verse today is Mark 10:21, 22

Mark 10:21 Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." 22 At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.

"One thing you lack". Wow. Think about that one statement for a moment. Let it sink in. "One thing you lack".

Now. Just to make sure we make the context clear, let's read the previous verses and see what this man's lacking was concerning.

Mark 10:17 As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Mark 10:18 "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good — except God alone. 19 You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother.'"

Mark 10:20 "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."

It all started with the question "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" And Yeshua's answer was "One thing you lack." Maybe, just maybe, we need to re-examine how much we rely on grace. Do we rely on it as an excuse? Or do we rely on it to learn and grow in overcoming sin?

Let this be a focus in your time of meditation throughout the day. Until tomorrow, shalom!