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Woe to the Rich, they said

A response by Hierophant Andelo Kopač

Woe to the Rich, they said. Woe to the Rich.

When they say 'woe to the rich,' they condemn the Velan Navigator guiding your ship. They condemn the ACRE Director who feed you, the Crux Kriegsherr who keeps you safe.

They condemn every member of every House and Corporation in the sector. They condemn the Emperox themselves.

They cast judgement, when judgement is not theirs to cast. Judgement belongs to God, and God alone.

Children of the Empire, hear this:

Had the Carpenter taken his wealth in good faith, he could have taken in some of the jobless and given them a purpose.

Had the Monk taken his power and stood tall and strong in the name of God, they could have challenged the vile and the corrupt.

Had the Merchant taken the city with but one hand, he would still have one hand free to lift up the destitute and the broken.

They could have made the world a better place.

Remember the tale of *The Countess and the Credits*. She had vast wealth, more wealth than most will ever see. Did she cast down the second Quant, when they chose not to make money, but instead to help the families of hundreds?

No, she did not.

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The second was praised, as is right and proper in the name of God.

Hundreds of people, both living and In the After, were saved through wealth, and through the kindness of others.

Salvation cannot be bought, but the lives of the many can be changed for the better thanks to the rich. God needs nothing, but the needs of humanity are many, and none should spur the gift wealth when one is blessed with it.

No, I do not say 'Woe to the Rich.'

I say Woe to the Indifferent. Woe to the Greedy.

Woe to the Perfidious who prop themselves up with their wealth, and do nothing to elevate those around them.

Woe to those with means that do not act with Virtue. Salvation will never be theirs.

Children of the Empire, hear my words:

Salvation belongs to those that act in the name of God and the name of good.

Use your wealth in the name of good and the name of God. It is a blessing, not a burden.

Do not allow them to convince you otherwise.



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