

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.

Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

For the love of money People will steal from their mother For the love of money People will rob their own brother For the love of money People can't even walk the street Because they never know who in the world they're gonna beat For that lean, mean, mean green Almighty dollar, money

For the Love of Money - O'Jays 1974

For the love of money People will lie, Lord, they will cheat For the love of money People don't care who they hurt or beat For the love of money A woman will sell her precious body For a small piece of paper it carries a lot of weight Call it lean, mean, mean green Almighty dollar

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11 .... I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. <sup>12</sup> I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. <sup>13</sup> I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

<sup>7</sup> "Two things I ask of you, Lord; do not refuse me before I die: <sup>8</sup> Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. <sup>9</sup> Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, 'Who is the Lord?' Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God.

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17 I love those who love me,
and those who seek me find me.
18 With me are riches and honor,
enduring wealth and prosperity.

<sup>4</sup> Humility is the fear of the Lord; its wages are riches and honor and life. Proverbs 22:4

<sup>9</sup> Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, 'Who is the Lord?' Proverbs 30:9

- It can lead to SELF-SUFFICIENCY

11 The wealth of the rich is their fortified city; they imagine it a wall too high to scale. Proverbs 18:11 <sup>6</sup> When I fed them, they were satisfied; when they were satisfied, they became proud; then they forgot me.

"A strange species we are. We can stand anything God and nature can throw at us save only plenty. If I wanted to destroy a nation, I would give it too much, and I would have it on its knees, miserable, greedy, sick."

John Steinbeck The Washington Post (January 28, 1960)

- It can lead to SELF-SUFFICIENCY
- It doesn't last forever

<sup>4</sup> Wealth is worthless in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death. Proverbs 11:4 <sup>26</sup> What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Matthew 16:26

- It can lead to SELF-SUFFICIENCY
- It doesn't last forever
- The desire to get rich can consume us

<sup>4</sup> Do not wear yourself out to get rich;
 do not trust your own cleverness.
 <sup>5</sup> Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone,
 for they will surely sprout wings
 and fly off to the sky like an eagle.

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- The desire to get rich can consume us
- The desire to get rich can fool us

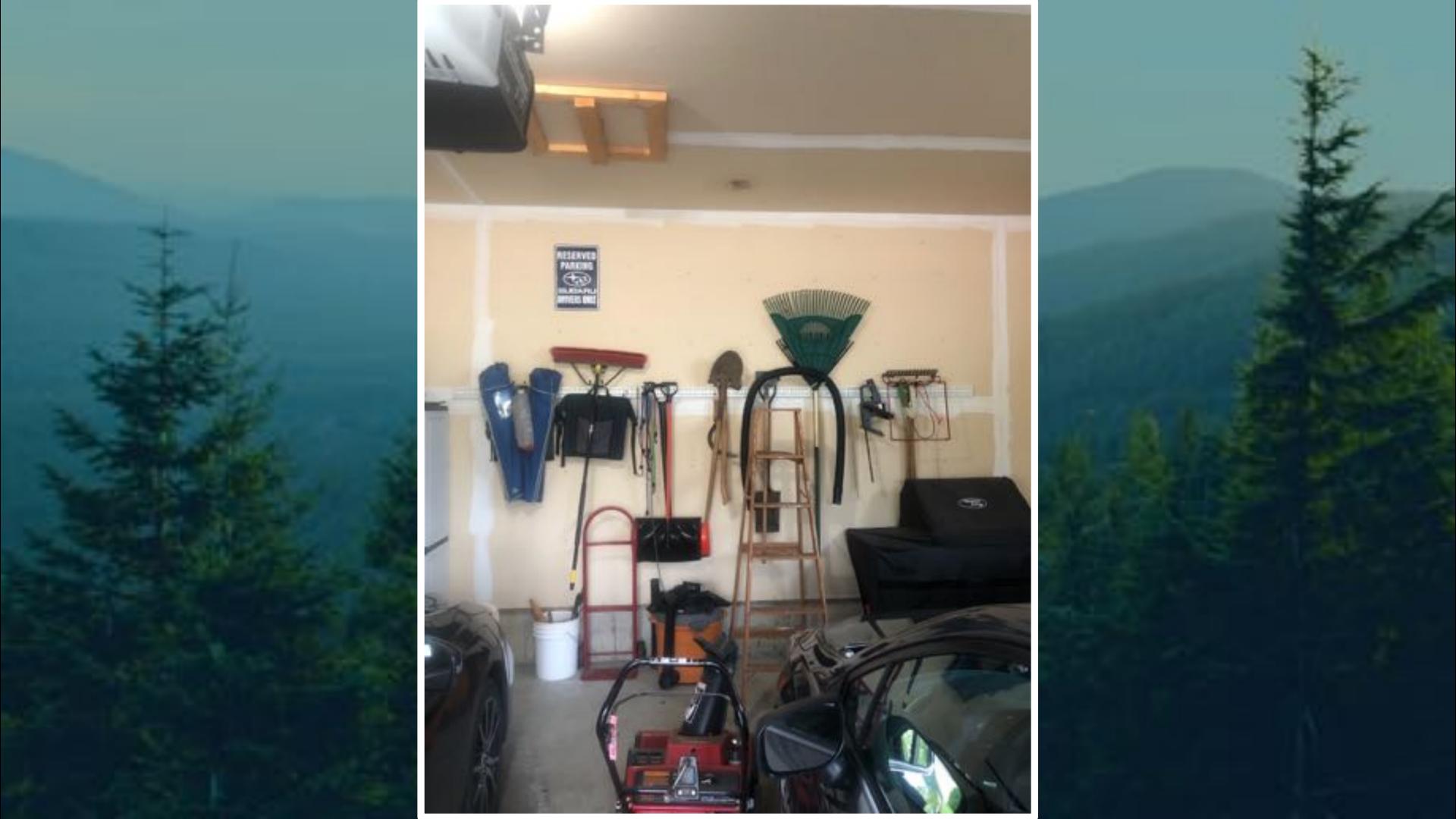
#### Love is better than money.

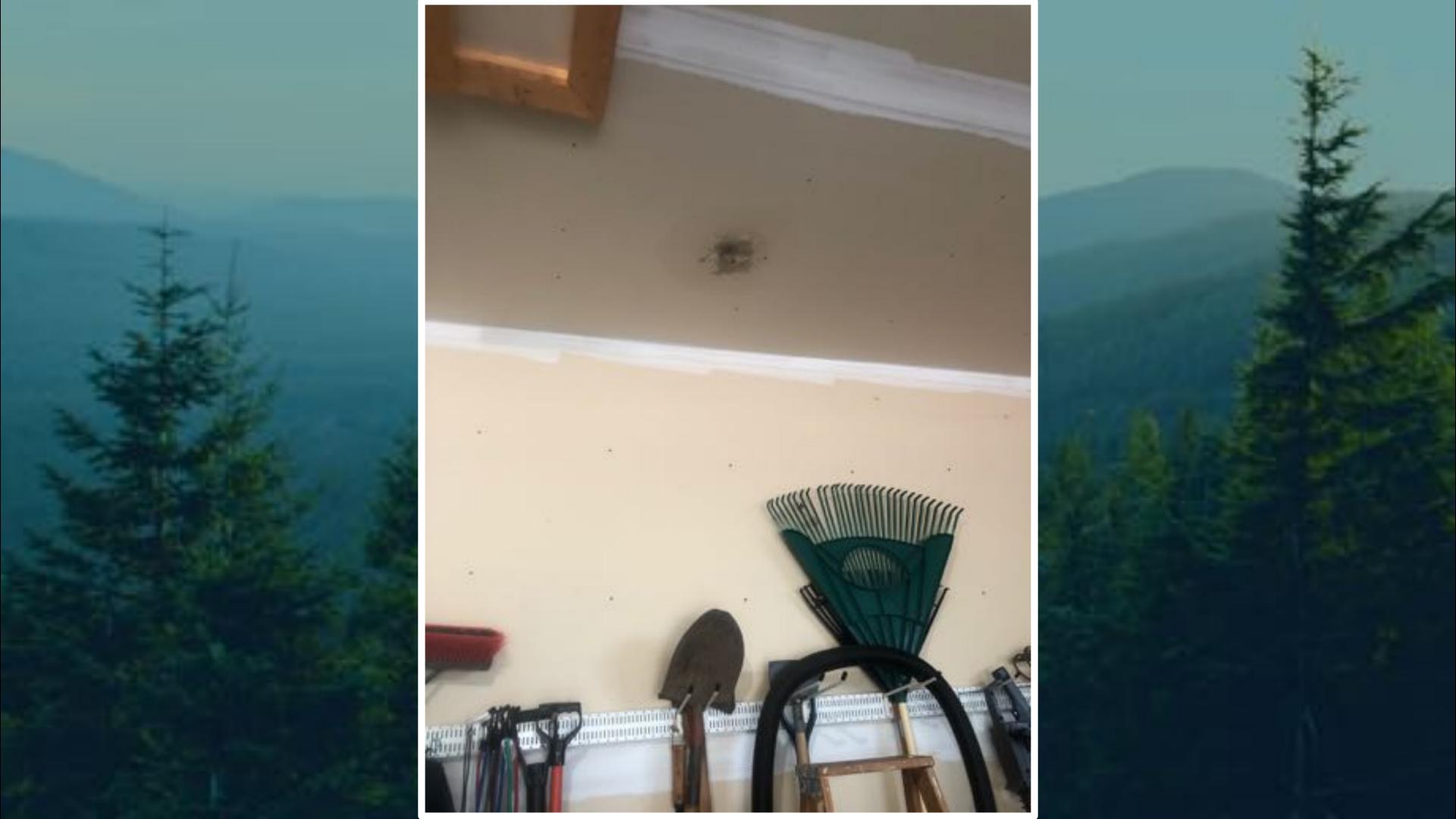
<sup>17</sup> Better a small serving of vegetables with love than a fattened calf with hatred.

#### A good reputation is also better than money.

<sup>1</sup> A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold.

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<sup>19</sup> "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. <sup>20</sup> But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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