

# sermonnotes

## Really Rich: Good News, Bad News

Money, possessions, and wealth can be a blessing or a curse—it all depends on how you \_\_\_\_\_ them and how you \_\_\_\_\_ them.

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasures for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life. (*1 Timothy 6:17–19*)

1. The good news is: You are \_\_\_\_\_

- Moreover, when God gives any man wealth and possessions, and enables him to enjoy them...this is a gift. (*Ecclesiastes 5:19*)
- But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant. (*Dueteronomy 8:18*)
- Rich is a moving target. No matter how much money we have or make, we will probably never consider ourselves rich enough.

- Rich is not bad or wrong, but you have to know the “why”. If you don’t know the why, riches can \_\_\_\_\_ you and \_\_\_\_\_ you.
  - If you are going to be good at being rich—admit you are rich and acknowledge God is your \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The bad news is: You are \_\_\_\_\_
- Jesus said, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God! Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.” (*Luke 18:24–25*)
  - The problem with abundance is...
    - It is harder for you to \_\_\_\_\_ on God. (*Proverbs 30:8–9*)
    - It distracts you from your true \_\_\_\_\_. (*Matthew 6:33*)
    - You have a greater \_\_\_\_\_. (*Luke 12:48b*)

As those who are rich, our goal is to honor God. We want to be rich in good deeds.

To Be Continued...

Answers: view, use; rich; distract, destroy; source; rich; depend; priorities; responsibility

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