



Live Rich - Wk 2

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1. Are you _____?

Command those who are rich in this present world . . .

1 Timothy 6:17a

2. Rich people have _____ non-rich people don't have.

3. _____ that you are _____.

a. God has _____ me with more than I need. I'm _____.

b. Don't be _____. Be _____.

*Command them **to do good, to be rich in good deeds,**
and to be **generous** and **willing to share.** 1 Timothy 6:18*

4. Do _____ as only _____ followers of Jesus can

5. Be rich in good _____

a. rich people have extra _____

b. rich people have _____ for our time

6. Be _____ as only _____ followers of Jesus can be

2 Corinthians 8:1-5

a. Rich people have _____ money

b. Rich people have many _____ for our money

c. Fact: the _____ a person is, the _____ percentage
they give

7. _____ to give your time and money away for God's
purposes

a. If you don't pre-decide, you give _____

b. You need to be a _____ giver

c. _____ first, _____ second, _____ on the rest.

d. It's time to _____ in your giving

8. Generosity in time and money breaks down _____

1 Peter 2:12

God has blessed me with more than I need. I'm rich.
But I will not trust in my riches, but in Him who richly provides.
Since I have more, I will do more and I will give more.

Talk it Over:

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Big Idea:

Survey after survey reveals that when it comes to generosity, rich people give less than people with fewer resources. But as followers of Jesus who have been blessed with both extra time and extra money, this should not be. Those who have margin have the extra responsibility to be far above average when it comes to using what they have to serve others. Today, we consider how we might use the margin that God has blessed us with to bless others.

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Discussion Questions:

- Life should not just be about “making more money to get more stuff,” but about “making a difference.” What steps can we take to not only increase our “awareness” of the misfortunes of others but get involved in making a difference in those misfortunes?
- Pastor Roger made the statement, “Service and generosity break down barriers– cultural barriers and communication barriers and relational barriers.” What are some examples of ways you’ve seen that lived out?
- Generosity is rarely convenient. Are there people in your life in whom you know you should be investing time, but you are just too busy? How can you “slow” the pace of your life to make time for those things God has said are truly important?
- Tithing (giving 10%) is a way we’re called to worship God because it shows Him that we trust Him for our provision & we’re not merely trusting in money.
 - o Share your journey when it comes to giving. What was the turning point? Or, what do you suppose is holding you back from trusting God in this arena

Prayer Focus This Week:

God, You have blessed me abundantly! What next steps do I need to take in my life to align my actions with Your heart? Your word tells me to be generous with my money. Please help me to take courageous steps of faith that go against the cultural norms and live the generous life You call me to live! Amen.

Next Steps:

- Take some time each day during this message series to ask God what steps you can take to be sure your heart reflects His when you give.
- Take some time to sit down with those in your life to whom you are the closest (spouse, family, friends, etc.) and develop a plan to become intentionally generous.
- Take a baby step to demonstrate generosity in your daily life by doing one random act of kindness this week. i.e. Gift for your kids teacher, take a meal to someone having a difficult time, send a hand written thank you card, buy a strangers coffee, etc.