

Rich towards God

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Introduction:

- Being Rich in what Matters Most Review
- Voting "clickers" today

Being Rich in what Matters Most

¹⁷ Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. ¹⁹ By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life.

1 Timothy 6:17-19 NLT

1. How to be rich towards God

- > Rich in good deeds and generosity
- > Rich in relationships

The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed. **Proverbs 11:25** NLT

³⁴ So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. ³⁵ Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples." John 13:34-35 NLT

2. My relationship with God

- ➢ God wants my heart first
- Heart leads to action
- Investing in people makes us rich towards God

Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.

Luke 12:34 NLT

18 Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions. 19 Our actions will show that we belong to the truth, so we will be confident when we stand before God. 1 John 3:18-19 NLT

..."I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!"

Matthew 25:40 NLT

Next Steps: ☐ Memorize the theme verse, 1 Timothy 6:17-19 ☐ I will invest in riches towards God: ☐ The thing in my life that competes the most with God is ☐ I will show love to _____ this week ☐ Ask God to soften my heart towards him ☐ _____