

# KEEP THE CHANGE

## Being Rich Toward God

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### 1. We all want to be \_\_\_\_\_

- The good news: You're \_\_\_\_\_
- The bad news: You're \_\_\_\_\_

*And it is a good thing to receive wealth from God and the good health to enjoy it. To enjoy your work and accept your lot in life—this is indeed a gift from God.*

**Ecclesiastes 5:19 NLT**

<sup>15</sup> Then he said, "Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own..." <sup>20</sup> "But God said to him, 'You fool! You will die this very night. Then who will get everything you worked for?'" <sup>21</sup> "Yes, a person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God."

**Luke 12:15, 20-21 NLT**

<sup>24</sup> When Jesus saw this, he said, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God!" <sup>25</sup> In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!"

**Luke 18:24-25 NLT**

<sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> 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. <sup>19</sup> 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**

### 2. Being rich \_\_\_\_\_

- Don't trust in \_\_\_\_\_, trust in \_\_\_\_\_
- Use your money to \_\_\_\_\_
- Give \_\_\_\_\_

*When someone has been given much, much will be required in return; and when someone has been entrusted with much, even more will be required.*

**Luke 12:48 NLT**

*Blessed are those who are generous, because they feed the poor.*

**Proverbs 22:9 NLT**

### Next Steps:

- Commit to handle my finances with wisdom so that I can invest in God's Kingdom and become rich toward God
- Commit to live on less than I earn and give strategically so that I can fight against the "love of money" and guard my heart
- Commit to sponsor someone in the PRC 5k
- Read and meditate on 1 Timothy 6:17-19
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