



### **PART 3: THE GREAT DECEPTION**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

We don't always choose generosity for various reasons, but as followers of Jesus we are called to be salt and light—we are created and equipped to make a difference in our world. The Big Give exists to help remove all the hurdles keeping you from being able to help those in need.

#### **KEY SCRIPTURE**

1 Timothy 6:17      Ecclesiastes 5:10  
Proverbs 18:11      Matthew 6:24

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. When are rich people the hardest to be around?
2. Do you tend to think of Christians and the church as being generous? How could being generous to others change peoples' perceptions of Christians and the church?
3. Why do we hesitate to give to others even though we have more than we need?
4. Pastor Will said that our financial worth is not and never will be our actual worth. But, there is a temptation to put your confidence in wealth and to trust in it for stability and security. What does this look like in your own life?
5. Read 1 Timothy 6:17-18. How can this group be generous and willing to share with those in need this week? Is there something you can do individually or together as a group? Be sure to check out The Big Give landing page for more information and ideas on how you can serve those in need:  
<http://thebiggive.brazosfellowship.com/>

#### **MOVING FORWARD**

Application Prayer: God, help me to stop putting my hope in wealth for security but on you who richly provides everything. You are the only savior that can deliver. Please forgive my sin and lead my life!