



PART 4: THE RICH TEST

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 6:17-19
Luke 12:48

Luke 12:16-21
Luke 12:34

Matthew 23:23
Deuteronomy 14:23

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Pastor Will talked about the temptation we all have to ramp up our lifestyle with increased income. What do you do when you have “extra” or “more?” What changes have you made when you've gotten a raise or a bonus?
2. Read Luke 12:21. What do you think it means to be rich towards God?
3. Read 1 Timothy 6:19. Talk about the idea of laying “a firm foundation for the coming age.” How does doing good deeds, being generous, and being willing to share lay this firm foundation?
4. Pastor Will taught that God doesn't want your stuff, he wants your heart. But if you're not willing to give him your stuff you'll never give him your heart. Do you agree or disagree? Why?
5. Have you pre-decided to give or are you a spontaneous giver? What's the difference? What difference does it make in your level of trust in God?
6. What is one thing you can do this week to leverage what God has given you for God's Kingdom as only a rich person could?

MOVING FORWARD

Application Prayer: God, I will stop giving you left-overs. I pre-decide today to put you first in my finances. Jesus, forgive me, be my leader.