

HOW TO BE RICH

(4) Diversify

1 Timothy 6:17-18...

Command those who are **rich** in this present world not to be **arrogant** nor to put their **hope in wealth**, which is so uncertain, but to put their **hope in God**, who **richly provides us with everything** for our enjoyment. **Command** them to... **do good**, to **BE RICH** in **good deeds**, and... to be **generous** and **willing to share**.

The **KEY TO BEING RICH**... isn't about **MAKING A LOT OF MONEY**...
The **KEY TO BEING RICH**... is centered around the word... **MARGIN!**

~ **THE MIGRATION OF HOPE** ~

17 Command those who are rich not to be arrogant...
nor to put their **hope in wealth**, which is so uncertain,

If your **HOPE** is gonna shift to **GOD** in the **END**...
WHY NOT GO AHEAD AND PUT YOUR HOPE IN GOD... IN THE MIDDLE?

WHY IN THE WORLD...

WOULD YOU PUT YOUR "HOPE"... IN THE PROVISION...
WHEN YOU CAN PUT YOUR "HOPE"... IN THE PROVIDER...?

The **AMOUNT OF DOLLARS** we **GIVE** vs The **PERCENTAGE** we **GIVE**

~ **PRE-DECIDE** ~

I... HAVE... A... RICH... PERSON... PROBLEM!

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THERE'S MORE TO THIS LIFE... THAN THIS LIFE!

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19 In this way...

...they will lay up treasure for themselves...

In this way... they will lay up treasure for themselves... as a firm foundation for...

...the coming age...

*"If you will view your **WEALTH** through the **LENS OF ETERNITY**...
You will **LOSE YOUR GRIP ON IT**... and **IT WILL LOSE ITS GRIP ON YOU!**"*

Luke 12:16-21...

And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain **rich man** yielded an **abundant** harvest.
17 He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store **my** crops.'

18 "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my **surplus** grain.'

"I'LL SAVE IT NOW... AND I'LL CONSUME IT LATER!"

19 And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for **many years**.
Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."

20 "But God said to him, 'You **fool!**

'You **fool!** This very night **your life** will be **demanded from you**.

*Then who will get what you have prepared for **yourself?***

And the **ANSWER** is...

SOMEONE ELSE!

BUT NOT BECAUSE HE WAS GENEROUS... BUT BECAUSE HE WAS DEAD!

WE DO NOT GET CREDIT FOR WHAT WE... LEAVE!

WE ONLY GET CREDIT FOR WHAT WE... GIVE!

BECAUSE EVERYBODY LEAVES... THE SAME AMOUNT!

ALL!

21 **"This is how it will be...**

"This is how it will be... with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

"BUT IS NOT RICH TOWARD GOD"

Luke 12:33-34... Sell your possessions...

...give to the poor.

*Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a **treasure in heaven** that will never fail where no thief comes near and no moth destroys...*

34 *For where your **treasure** is, there your **heart** will be also.*

1 Timothy 6:19...

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Better Question...

DO YOU HAVE A GIVING PLAN?

The 3-S Giving Standard...

1. SPONTANEOUSLY

2. SPORADICALLY

3. SPARINGLY

The 3-P Giving Standard...

1. PRIORITY

2. PERCENTAGE

3. PROGRESSIVE
