What to Do with Your TREASURE?

THE RICH REVIEW: The Rich 17-19, Review 20-21, in 1 Timothy 6:17-21 Chris Mueller 2-25-2018

Introduction:

Matthew 4:10 You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.

#1 With Financial Treasure; _____ generously 17-19

1st Do you not _____ in your riches but rely on God alone 17

17 Instruct those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy.

Proverbs 28:11a The rich man is wise in his own eyes

Proverbs 11:28 He who trusts in his riches will fall

Luke 12:16 He told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man was very productive. 17 And he began reasoning to himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no place to store my crops?' 18 Then he said, 'This is what I will do: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years to come; take your ease, eat, drink and be merry." ' 20 But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your soul is required of you; and now who will own what you have prepared?' 21 So is the man who stores up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

_ like God has given to you 18-19 2nd Give

18 Instruct them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share

1 = TO DO GOOD

2 = TO BE RICH IN GOOD WORKS

3 = TO BE GENEROUS

4 = AND READY TO SHARE

1 Corinthians 16:1 Now concerning the collection for the saints...2 On the first day of every week each one of you is to put aside and save, as he may prosper, so that no collections be made when I come.

19 storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is life indeed.

Matthew 6:19 Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal

Luke 16:9 ...make friends for yourselves by means of the wealth of unrighteousness, so that when it fails, they will receive you into the eternal dwellings.

#2 With Spiritual Treasure; ______ zealously 20-21

20 O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you, avoiding worldly and empty chatter and the opposing arguments of what is falsely called "knowledge" — 21 which some have professed and thus gone astray from the faith. Grace be with you.

1 Timothy **3:15** ... I write so that you will know how one ought to conduct himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth.

1st Make certain you are GUARDING 20a 20 O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you

2nd Make certain you are AVOIDING 20b

20b avoiding worldly and empty chatter and the opposing arguments of what is falsely called "knowledge"

3rd Make certain you EMBRACING the danger of error 21a

21a which some have professed promising and thus gone astray from the faith

An intentionally continually sinning 'so called' Christian is either disobedient, awaiting God's discipline, OR they're deceived, awaiting God's judgment.

4th Make certain you're RELYING on God 21b 21b Grace be with you.

Take HOME:

1 Material and spiritual treasure expose your _____

- 2 Grow generous by practicing ______ for all you have in Christ
- 4 Manifest genuine ______ of salvation

QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH IN CHRIST

- 1. How does material treasure expose a believer's maturity? Are those traits seen in you?
- 2. How does spiritual treasure, like God's Word and sound doctrine, reveal a Christian's maturity?
- 3. Why is it so important to God for the rich to give generously with one's treasure and possessions?
- 4. How can believers grow in their generous giving? What steps need to be taken, yet why do so few take them?
- 5. What does it mean to GUARD the truth of God's Word, the gospel and sound doctrine?
- 6. Why is it so dangerous to be enamored with false teachers and false teaching personally and corporately?
- 7. What steps will you take this week to be generous with money and guarded with spiritual treasure?

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