

How To Be Rich

Part 4

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- GOD IS _____ ME.

Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?

Luke 16:10-11

How Do I Fail The Test Of Prosperity?

"The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.' "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. And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."

Luke 12:16-19

- BELIEVE MORE IS ALWAYS FOR _____.

"But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' "This is how it will be with those who store up things for themselves but are not rich toward God."

Luke 12:20-21

How To Be Rich!

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. In this way they

will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age.

1 Timothy 6:17-19

"God has blessed me with more than I need. I am rich. But I will not trust in my riches, but in Him who richly provides. Because I have more, I will give more and do more!"

How Can I Give More And Do More?

- CREATE _____ AND ASK GOD TO USE IT!

In the house of the wise are stores of choice food and oil, but a foolish man devours all he has.

Proverbs 21:20

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1 Timothy 6:18

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Discussion Questions For Later

- 1) **Jesus said, "If you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?" On a scale of 1-10, how faithful have you been with your finances? What should you do to become more faithful?**
- 2) **How can you create financial margin for God to use? Be specific. How can you create margin in your schedule for God to use? Be specific.**
- 3) **What change is God calling you to make? Be specific.**

**All scriptures from TNIV unless otherwise noted*