

1 Timothy 6:17-19 - Grow in Your Giving

Read the passage together

1. Pride and false security can easily become traps for the wealthy. What is one thing you “enjoy” that God has given you but that you are starting to “put your hope in” too much? Why is that so easy for us to do even though we have God? (v.17)
2. (Optional question) Does our net worth subtly influence our self-worth? If so, how?
3. The antidotes to the traps of wealth are generosity and being rich in good deeds (v. 18). If good deeds were the only currency accepted in your community, would you be considered wealthy, middle-class or living in poverty? What will it take for you to “move up” in this society?
4. If we redefined richness by how much we’ve given, or the impact we’ve had on others this week (or year) rather than the money in our accounts, who are the 'wealthiest' people you know, and what makes them that way?"
5. People who are rich in good deeds have their eyes firmly focused on the eternal. They send their money forward. They use their time and heart and resources to help people who need God. They aren't being generous just to be like God, they are intentionally laying up treasures in heaven. They are taking hold of the life that is truly life (v. 19). What is one thing that needs to shift in you to become more like this?