

Givin' What You're Given

"Treasure – Living Rich"

GETTING STARTED

ICE BREAKER: Who is someone you regard as generous, and what do you admire about them?

KEY THOUGHT: ***You can't take it with you, but you CAN send it on ahead!***

GETTING THE POINT

Read 1 Timothy 6:17-19

1. What attitude changes are called for in verse 17? Why are the old attitudes inappropriate for those who are followers of Jesus?
2. What actions are called for in verse 18?
3. What ambition is advocated in verse 19? How is this different from the typical ambition of those who are wealthy?
4. What is the ultimate outcome of laying up treasure in heaven?

GETTING DEEPER

Read Psalm 52:7

1. What two sources of refuge are contrasted in this verse?
2. What is the devastating outcome of seeking refuge in the wrong source? What does this mean for many in our world today?

GETTING PERSONAL

1. On a scale of 1 to 10 with 1 being impoverished to the point of having no material goods, where do you fall on the "riches" scale?
2. Where do you see the most need for you personally: change in Attitude, Actions, or Ambition with regard to money?
3. What benefits do you see in this world for being generous with your finances? What benefits in the next world?
4. What is a way you can stretch in your generosity, particularly as we come into this holiday season when we are reminded of the generosity of God in sending His Son for us?

PRAY...

that we will adopt a future orientation with regard to generosity, for the benefit of others AND ourselves.