

Why has God given us SO much?

1 Timothy 6:17-19

1. Your wealth is a _____ comfort (17)

a. We often associate wealth with _____

My brothers, do not hold your faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ with *an attitude of partiality*.
- James 2:1

- 2 Kings 20

b. We often depend on our _____

Do not weary yourself to gain wealth, Cease from your consideration of it. ⁵ When you set your eyes on it, it is gone. For wealth certainly makes itself wings like an eagle that flies toward the heavens.
- Proverbs 23:4-5

c. We can only be confident in _____

For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.
- Matthew 6:32-33

- Ecclesiastes 5:18-20

2. Your prosperity is to _____ others (17-18)

But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.
- 1 Timothy 6:9-10

a. We should mirror God's _____ for us.

- Luke 6:33-35

Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may because of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation.

- 1 Peter 2:12

b. We should mirror God's _____ to us.

He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have something to share with one who has need.

- Ephesians 4:28

Do not neglect doing good and sharing, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. - Hebrews 13:16

- 2 Corinthians 9:10-11

3. Your lifestyle is an _____ (19)

a. You are storing up treasure _____

- Luke 12:16-21

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; ²¹ for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

- Matthew 6:19-21

b. Your _____ will be unbelievable!

Sell your possessions and give to charity; make yourselves money belts which do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near nor moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

- Luke 12:33-34

He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed

- 2 Corinthians 9:6-8