

Rich Living Diversify

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. **1 Timothy 6:17 (NIV)**

- **I will not put my hope in riches, but in Him who richly provides.**

Command them to **do good**, to **be rich in good deeds**, and to **be generous and willing to share**. **1 Timothy 6:18 (NIV)**

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many **rich people** threw in **large amounts**. 42 But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. 43 Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has **put more into the treasury than all the others**. 44 They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.”

Mark 12:41-44 (NIV)

- **Rich people should give larger sums and higher percentages.**

In this way they will **lay up treasure for themselves** as a firm foundation **for the coming age**, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life. **1 Timothy 6:19 (NIV)**

- **When we begin to see wealth through the lens of eternity, we will loosen our grip on it, and it will lose its grip on us.**
- **Spontaneously**
- **Sporadically**
- **Sparingly**

- **Priority**
- **Percentage**
- **Progressive**

That's plain enough, isn't it? You're no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here, with as much right to the name Christian as anyone. God is building a home. He's using us all—irrespective of how we got here—in what he is building. He used the apostles and prophets for the foundation. Now he's using you, fitting you in brick by brick, stone by stone, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone that holds all the parts together. We see it taking shape day after day—a holy temple built by God, all of us built into it, a temple in which God is quite at home.

Ephesians 2:19-22 (MSG)