

## Series:

## Be Rich

### Sermon Notes & Community Group Discussion

Sunday, November 16, 2014

Be Rich: *Do more. Give more. Pre-Decide a % Gift*

Preaching: Brady Traywick

1 Timothy 6:17-18;

Mark 12:41-44

The key to feeling rich: MARGIN.

How do you make sure that your hope doesn't migrate?

Rich people give larger sums, but smaller percentages.

When you have financial margin, you have peace.

Pre-decide what percentage of your income you're going to live on.

## Community Group Questions

*For many of us, our problem isn't that we're not rich (if you make \$45,000 per year, you're in the top one percent of wage earners world-wide); our problem is that we don't feel rich. The desire to feel wealthy causes us to place our hope in money instead of in God. But the Bible describes a different way of thinking about and using our wealth.*

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What most excites you about giving money to help others?
2. Talk about a time when you gave money to meet someone else's need. How did it make you feel?
3. In the message, Brady says that the key to feeling rich isn't making a lot of money but having financial margin. Does that ring true to you? Why or why not?
4. What is one thing that stands in the way of you being a percentage giver instead of a spontaneous giver? What is one thing you can do to overcome that obstacle?
5. Imagine if everyone at our church became a percentage giver. Talk about the kinds of things we could accomplish collectively in our local communities.
6. What is one step you can take this week toward becoming a percentage giver? What can this group do to support you?

### MOVING FORWARD

To keep your hope from migrating, decide ahead of time to do more and give more. If God has blessed you with more than you need, it is so that you can share your abundance with those in need. Do and give systematically. Can you imagine what would happen if everyone did that?

