BEWARE ….. Money Talks!

1 Timothy 6:17-19

Sermon Outline

A. Don’t Trust It (Vs. 17):

1. Command – God commands Timothy to develop this structure for the church.

2. Rich – Rich, by world standards, is to be fully furnished, have two of anything and some savings.

3. Present world – The focus is on a person’s immediate circumstances.

4. Conceited — Our finances should not cause us to be proud or arrogant (Deut. 8:12–14).

5. To fix their Hope — We must not live depending on our resources to take care of us.

6. It is a righteous life that establishes a blessed believer (Proverbs 10:16).

7. When God establishes a righteous believer, nothing can permanently tear them down (Matthew 7:24-29).

   ➢ God rewards righteousness living (Proverbs 8:17-21; Psalms 112:1-3; 128).

   ➢ Wise living blesses (Proverbs 24:3-5).

   ➢ Sinful people will store wealth for the righteous (Proverbs 13:22; Eccl. 2:22, 26).


   ➢ Hard work done God’s way blesses even if there is a mean boss. (Colossians 3:22-25).

   ➢ Faithful giving stimulates righteous living which produces God’s financial rewards (2 Corinthians 9:11; Hebrews 11:4).

9. **Riches** – Rich is “an abundance of possessions exceeding the norm of a particular society” - This is not Bill Gates rich.

10. **God** – This is a representation of God in His eternity, totality and as creator.

11. **Supplies** – God’s supply unlike the world is active, continuous and does not end.

12. **All things** – ‘Every good and perfect gift comes from above.’ (James 1:17)

13. **Enjoy** – When God supplies our need it is satisfying (Ecclesiastes 2:24-26; 3:12-13).

**B. Remain Focused (vs. 18):**

1. **To do good** – Continuously do what is acceptable in the sight of God (Colossians 3:17).

2. **To do good** – Remain focused on doing what is beneficial to those around us (Philippians 2:1-5).

3. **Rich in good works** – No matter the sacrifice we are challenged to go above the norm.

4. **Generous** – Our heart should be ready to supply whatever it takes to accomplish God’s purposes.


**C. Build a Lasting Future (vs. 19):**

1. **Storing up a treasure** – Focus on receiving priceless everlasting returns from God (Luke 12:29-34).

2. **Good foundation** – The storing up establishes a solid base for a great everlasting future.

3. **Future** – Storing up God’s way cannot fail because God’s Word does not return void.

4. **May take hold** – This would once and for all provide benefits that cannot be lost.

5. **Life indeed** – God sustains the benefits, and which becomes a daily experience of God.

6. **Life indeed** – Being generous blesses us on earth and in heaven – Abundant life!