



## THEME

### How to Be Really Rich

## ANCHORED TO TRUTH

Luke 10:25-37, 1 Samuel 12:2-3, James 2:14-17, 1 Timothy 6:17-19, 1 Timothy 6:6-10, Matthew 6:19-24, John 13:34-35

## CONVERSATION

1. If you had 400 billion dollars in your bank account - what's the first thing you'd spend money on?
  - a. If you had 400 billion how much happier do you think you'd be?
2. Other than material (stuff/cash) wealth - how else can we be rich?
  - a. Which way or area is the hardest to be rich in? The easiest?
3. What's the most *desirable* way to be rich?
  - a. Is that the way you would choose to be rich? Explain.
4. Take a look at: **1 Timothy 6:17-19**  
*17 Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. 18 Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. 19 By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life.*
5. Paul expands our definition of generosity by adding "ready to share". Look closer @ the original Greek word [koinōnikos](#).
  - a. What stands out to you about this word + how it's used here?
  - b. Why would Paul add this word (only used here in the Bible) to his definition of generosity?
  - c. How challenging is it to be this kind of generous?
  - d. What happens when we're generous with our cash/stuff but *stingy* in relationship?
6. What does it look like to be generous in relationship?
  - a. It can be tough to be 'willing to communicate' with our friends - how much more difficult is it to be generous + warm to *everyone* in our community?
  - b. If most people in our community made honest attempts to extend themselves in *relational generosity* > what would that do to Chi Alpha?
    - i. Would that affect people outside Chi Alpha? Explain.
    - ii. Is it even possible for most people in Chi Alpha to make consistent honest attempts at relational generosity?
7. Finish by adding **John 13:34-35** [Jesus talking to his disciples] to the conversation.  
*34 So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. 35 Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."*
  - a. What role is our *relational generosity* supposed to play in the *story of redemption* God wants to write with us?

## RESPOND

- How are you at being 'willing to communicate' - ready to share relationally with others?

- If you could change one thing about how you relate to others what would it be?
- Is there someone that you're *relationally stingy* with?
  - Is there something practical you can do this week to be more generous to them?
- Pray together about this *-and-* for Chi Alpha as a group being more 'ready to share with others'