

Currency Exchange

Luke 16:1-13

Valuables

Some “valuables” have only _____ value
 What is a smart thing to do with temporary valuables?
 What is a wise way to _____, _____ and _____ our valuables?

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1a: Jesus teaches his _____

Before and after this, Jesus specifically taught the _____ leaders
 They criticized Jesus’ _____ and _____

1b-2: Parable: Manager learns his job will _____

Parable: A made up story that generally teaches one _____
 Truth that is obvious in one setting applied to the _____ of God
 Manager has a short time left in his job because...

3-7: Manager uses last days in his job to provide for his needs after the _____ is _____

Debtors probably rented _____ and then owed part of the harvest
 Manager pleases the _____ while harming his _____ (it seems),
 yet his _____ had already fired him, while _____ could still help him

8a: The owner praises this _____ manager

Surprise: Owner was impressed by the “_____” of the manager:
 smart, creative, effective action that met a critical need
 Owner (and Jesus) still viewed his action as _____

8b-12: Jesus presents this dishonest manager as a _____

God’s people should learn from his shrewdness ... not _____
 We’re like him: our lives won’t last forever, and this age won’t last
 forever, so worldly wealth will _____ us
 We also should plan for how current resources can become
 valuable for our next life → be _____

13: Jesus’ big idea: you can’t _____ the current age (wealth) and the coming age (God)

Serving current age (wealth) is the _____
 We must be intentional about serving God with our wealth, or...

This world’s wealth	Heavenly wealth
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is surprisingly _____) • Always spoils & _____ • Always _____ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abundant (_____) • True/lasting/_____ • Can be _____ for good

The Big Idea:

**The wise give up what they are guaranteed to _____
 in order to gain far _____
 that is theirs to _____ and to _____ forever**

Application:

See the _____ of this world’s wealth

Seem far _____/more _____ than they really are
 They _____ promise to give more than it can
 They very often _____ more than they give
 They always _____
 Literally: rust, devaluation
 Possessions and praise lose their _____
 Pleasure creates its own _____
 Sin quickly spoils what was good, quickly leading us _____
 We always lose them eventually
 They go away, or _____ go away

See the _____ of heavenly wealth offered to us

_____, magnified: widows 2 tiny coins
 True/lasting/pure: always _____ than we can see
 They have _____-giving
 Truly are ours: will never _____

_____ this world’s wealth into heavenly wealth

Give _____ to “Kingdom of God” work: 10%+
 Give _____ to do “Kingdom of God” work
 Add God’s values to what you have, enjoy, or must do
 Care for _____ by inviting them in your hobbies, home,
 relationships, sports, ...
 Apply your skills and interests to _____-_____ tasks
 What you might think is very _____ (money, time, skills)
 can be of _____ value when given fully to God!

Reflection Questions

- Which categories of this world’s wealth are most tempting to you?
- What helps you see the limitations of this world’s wealth, and the beauty of heavenly wealth? Where have you seen or experienced it?
- What is another step you can take to convert this world’s wealth into heavenly wealth? What makes that step challenging for you?
- What excites you about heavenly wealth?