



Series: Pathways: Practices for Spiritual Transformation
Message: Simplicity & Giving
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Mark 10:17–23

Live more simply; give more generously

When we make God’s kingdom our primary concern, we are more likely to...

- View our personal finances as under the rule of Christ
- Be immune to the virus of “having to have”
- Give in a way that inconveniences our lifestyle

As kingdom seekers...

1. Pay attention to your motives for buying.
2. Refuse to be enslaved to anything but God.
3. De-accumulate (give your stuff away).
4. Make a plan to get out of debt (and stick to it).
5. Reinvent your giving as an act of worship and daring trust.

Beware: Committing to live simply and give generously can easily devolve into legalism...unless rooted in the higher priority of seeking first God’s kingdom.