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Life Gone Wild

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“True Wealth”

(Ecclesiastes 6:1-12)

We live in a society that defines wealth as...
How much money you make? What neighborhood you live in? How big is your house? What kind of car do you drive?

TRUE WEALTH IS...

Verses 1-2

(1) Enjoying what God has given me. (1 Tim. 6:6; Heb. 13:5-6; 2 Pet. 1:3)

Verses 3-6

(2) Sharing my life with others. (Ps. 127:3-5; Eccl. 4:9-12; Acts 2:42-47)

Verses 7-9

(3) Being satisfied with the lot God has given me in life. (Phil. 4:11-13; Ps. 139:13-16; Job 1:20-22)

Verse 10

(4) Accepting the fact that God is God and I'm not. (Pro. 16:9, 19:21, 20:24, 21:1)

Verse 11

(5) Being OK with not having all my questions answered on this side of eternity. (Deut. 29:29; Isa. 55:8-9; 1 Cor. 3:12)

Verse 12

(6) Knowing the meaning of life and what will happen when I die. (Col. 1:16; Rev. 4:11; Phil. 1:21)



Growing

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- 1) How does American culture define wealth? Explain this quote from the movie Pirates of the Caribbean: “Not all treasure is silver and gold, mate.”

- 2) Note the contrast between Eccl. 5:18-20 and 6:1-2. What role does God have in the satisfaction that wealth, possessions and honor can bring?

- 3) How does enjoying what God has given me and sharing my life with others make for a richer more fulfilling life? What are some things that could interfere with each one of those?

- 4) Points 3, 4, & 5 from the sermon notes all have to do with the doctrine of the Sovereignty of God. How are each of these related and why do they play such a significant role in true wealth? Which one(s) do you struggle with the most? What do these verses teach us about trusting God? (Phil. 4:11-13; Ps. 139:13-16; Job 1:20-22)

- 5) In Phil.1:21 how does Paul answer the question “What is the meaning of life and what happens when we die?” Explain. At DB we describe the meaning of life as “Full Devotion to Jesus Christ.” What are the 5 G’s to full devotion to Jesus Christ? (Hint: go to dbcc.com, on the menu click About Us and then Mission. 5th G = Glorifying Christian - Living the 1st four G’s in balance.)