

Luke 12:16-21 NKJV Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. 17 And he thought within himself, saying, ‘What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?’ 18 So he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.” ’ 20 But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?’ 21 “So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.”

1 Timothy 6:17-19 NKJV Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy. 18 Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, 19 storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life

Being Rich Toward God

 **1. Helps Me Remember God gave it to Me.**

- **1 Chronicles 29:12-14** NKJV Both riches and honor come from You, And You reign over all. In Your hand is power and might; In Your hand it is to make great And to give strength to all. 13 “Now therefore, our God, We thank You And praise Your glorious name. 14 But who am I, and who are my people, That we should be able to offer so willingly as this? For all things come from You, And of Your own we have given You

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 **2. Helps Me Remember Not Everything God gives to Me is for Me.**

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- **1 Peter 2:12** NKJV having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.

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 **3. Helps Me Trust in What Matters Most.**

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 **4. Helps Add Meaning to My Life.**

- **Acts 20:35** NKJV And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'
- **Proverbs 11:24** MSG The world of the generous gets larger and larger; the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller.

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 **5. Unlocks God’s Blessing Toward Me.**

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 **6. Enables Me To Lay Up Treasure in Heaven.**

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- **Matthew 6:19-21** NKJV “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; 20 but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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