

Poverty or Prosperity... Which is Biblically Correct?
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Discussion Questions

Introduction

Is it more spiritual to be poor or rich, or neither?
Why do you feel that way?

Read Matthew 6:24

If a stranger got to know you, would they say your master is God or money?

Why would they say that about you?

Problems with a Poverty Theology

Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10

What are the warnings about loving money?

Problems with a Prosperity Theology

Read Luke 12:16-21

Why did God require the rich man's life on the night he decided to keep everything for himself?

Read Luke 12:48 NLT "When someone has been given much, much will be required in return; and when someone has been entrusted with much, even more will be required."

What is required of someone who has much?

Principles of a Stewardship Theology

Read 1 Chronicles 29:10-14

Where did everything you have come from?

Who decides how much each person is entrusted with?

Read Matthew 6:31-33

What is God's promise when you put Him first?

What is our job, whether we have a little or a lot?

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