

09-18-22 FOR THE JOURNEY THIS WEEK

“...if acquiring wealth is our goal above all else, we will be tempted to behave in ways that separate us from other people and from God. God’s way calls us to work for the good of all people and to be generous and open with what we have.”

-Layton E. Williams



Luke 16:1-13

Questions for Reflection —

- What are presently the most pressing demands in your life? What choices do you face as you try to prioritize those demands? Are there ways in which those various demands and the choices you make interfere with your relationships with other people and/or with God? Whom or what do you serve? What does it look like for you to choose serving God and God’s kin-dom purposes above all else? What do you need in order to be able to do that?

- What does a healthy relationship with monetary wealth look like for you? For what would you risk your financial security? How could you be more faithful in your use of money? What does it mean for you to be generous and open with your resources—money, material possessions, time, talent, spiritual gifts? How can we as a congregation be more generous and open in the use of our resources?

- What is your attitude when you give of your time, talent, or money to meet the needs of others? What tends to motivate you? In what ways does helping others feel like an obligation? In what ways is it an opportunity? Are you a joyous or begrudging giver? What will help you cultivate your generosity?

Daily Household Prayer

Almighty God, who has redeemed us and adopted us as Your own children: Look upon us in Your mercy, that those who are made new in Christ may be assured of true freedom and an eternal inheritance; Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.