THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL

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For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. – 1 Timothy 6:10a

Whoever loves money <u>never has enough</u>; whoever loves wealth <u>is never satisfied with their income</u>. – Ecclesiastes 5:10

But <u>godliness with contentment is great gain</u>. For we brought nothing into the world, and <u>we</u> <u>can take nothing out of it</u>. -1 Timothy 6:6-7

But if we have <u>food and clothing</u>, we will <u>be content with that</u>. – 1 Timothy 6:8

- The richest are not those who have the most, but those who need the least.
- ➤ Discontentment can make a rich person <u>poor</u>, and contentment can make a poor person rich.

Those who want to <u>get rich fall into temptation and a trap</u> and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <u>For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil</u>. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. – 1 Timothy 6:9-10

> Two unhealthy mindsets concerning wealth: the <u>prosperity</u> gospel and the poverty gospel.

But remember the LORD your God, for <u>it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth</u>.... – Deuteronomy 8:18

➤ Money will not meet your deepest needs; only <u>Jesus</u> can do that.

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. -1 Timothy 6:17

Command them to <u>do good</u>, to <u>be rich in good deeds</u>, and to <u>be generous and willing to share</u>. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life. -1 Timothy 6:18-19

- > The antidote to the love of money is not more money, but generosity.
- > The beginning point of generosity is the <u>tithe</u>.