



## Earn Wealth Honestly

Wealth: Is It Worth It? - Part 2 of 4  
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**Big Idea:** Wealth is worth it if we earn it honestly and view success as the byproduct of a fruitful life dedicated to God's service.

**Text:** Matthew 25:14-30

*For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. – 1 Timothy 6:10*

### **I. GOD IS THE ONE TO WHOM WE ARE ALL ULTIMATELY \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his property to them." – Matthew 25:14*

*"After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them." – Matthew 25:19*

**A.** \_\_\_\_\_.

*He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need. – Ephesians 4:28*

**B.** \_\_\_\_\_.

**C.** \_\_\_\_\_.

*He who works his land will have abundant food, but the one who chases fantasies will have his fill of poverty. A faithful man will be richly blessed, but one eager to get rich will not go unpunished. – Proverbs 28:19-20*

**D.** \_\_\_\_\_.

*The man of integrity walks securely, but he who takes crooked paths will be found out. – Proverbs 10:9*

*Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.*

– 1 Corinthians 4:2

**II. \_\_\_\_\_ IS EXPECTED BY GOD.**

*“The man who had received the five talents went at once and put his money to work and gained five more. So also, the one with the two talents gained two more.” – Matthew 25:16-17*

*Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. – Philippians 3:13-14*

*All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty. The wealth of the wise is their crown. – Proverbs 14:23-24a*

*Such is the end of all who go after ill-gotten gain; it takes away the lives of those who get it.*

– Proverbs 1:19

*Do not wear yourself out to get rich; have the wisdom to show restraint. – Proverbs 23:4*

**III. ALL PROFIT EARNED HONESTLY AND HANDLED WISELY IS \_\_\_\_\_.**

*So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God. – Romans 14:12*

*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 do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. 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*

**MEMORY VERSE**

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