

James - How to Have a Faith That Works – 2/10/2018

How To Be Truly Rich

James 5:1-6 Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you. 2 Your riches have rotted and your garments are moth-eaten. 3 Your gold and silver have corroded, and their corrosion will be evidence against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days. 4 Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, are crying out against you, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. 5 You have lived on the earth in luxury and in self-indulgence. You have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. 6 You have condemned and murdered the righteous person. He does not resist you.

To Be Truly Rich reflect upon the your riches in Christ

1. Who Are These Rich?

- a. They can't be Christians In the church....
- b. They are Christians in the church who are sinning.

James 1:10 –

- c. Can poor Christians benefit from this warning...

2. So You Want to Be Rich!

- a. James exposes three sins of these rich

vss 2-3 - Hoarding riches

Vs 4 - Defrauding the dependent poor

*Deuteronomy 24:14-15 Leviticus 19:13 Proverbs 3:27-28
Jeremiah 22:13 Malachi 3:5*

Vs 5 - Extravagant living - Amos 6:4-6 Necessities or Luxuries?

James warns of their future if they continue

James calls them to repent – Vs 1 –

3. You Can Be Truly Rich

- a. Can the rich repent?

**Luke 19 – Zachceus
Mat 27:57– –**

- b. How can the rich find hope? Vs 6 - **Who is this “righteous person”**

Acts 3:14, 7:52, 22:14