



ANCIENT FUTURE FAITH:

SERMON NOTES

I. GOD LOVES THE POOR

- The birth of Jesus is announced to the poor. *Luke 2:8-11*
- The new-born Jesus lives in a poor family. *Luke 2:22-24*
- The Rabbi Jesus ministers to the poor. *Luke 4:18-19*
- The man Jesus models a life without things. *Luke 6:20, 24, 30, 9:58*
- The teacher Jesus points to the poor. *Luke 14:12-13, 21-23*
- The compassionate Jesus takes time for the poor. *Luke 18:35-43*
- The Martyr Jesus dies with the poor. *Luke 23:34*

II. GOD WARNS THE RICH

- It is typical for the rich to feel unshakable. *Luke 1:53*
- It is easy for the rich to feel self-sufficient. *Luke 6:20, 24, 5:11, 28*
- It is difficult for the rich to feel dependent. *Luke 9:3, 10:4*
- The rich are in danger of pride. *Luke 12:16-21, 12:33-34*
- The rich are in danger of idolatry. *Luke 16:19-31, 18:18-36*

WHEN RICHES ARE WORTH MORE THAN MONEY

III. GOD WANTS A SHARING COMMUNITY

- Many in the early Christian community were rich. *Acts 8:25-40, 10:1-4, 47-48, 16:14-15.*
- Many in the early Christian community transferred their wealth into ministry. *Acts 2:44-45, 4:32*
- Many in the early Christian community found the blessing of generosity. *Acts 20:35*

LIVING THE MESSAGE

- Find the riches that are beyond money
- Learn to live simply.
- Share what you have.

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