



How to Be Rich-Part 1 :: *Congratulations* :: Andy Stanley

INTRODUCTION

We spend most of our lives trying to get rich. We work and scheme and worry in pursuit of this ever-elusive goal. And yet while we accumulate more and more stuff, and the worries that come with it, we never feel rich. But what if we've already achieved that goal, and we don't even realize it? What if the thing we're chasing is already in our hands? In this session, we'll discuss the question: "What if you are, in fact, rich?"

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. As a child, what came to mind when you thought about what it meant to be "rich"? What is your definition of "rich" now?
2. When in your life have you felt the richest? Do you feel rich now?
3. What keeps us from feeling rich? When we don't consider ourselves to be rich, how does this affect our attitudes and actions when it comes to money?
4. Read 1 Timothy 6:17. What is your definition of rich?
5. How does realizing that you are rich affect your attitudes and actions when it comes to money?
6. Realizing that you are rich should make you feel grateful, not guilty. Why are feelings of guilt often associated with being rich? Does being rich make you feel guilty or grateful?

THINK ABOUT IT

How rich are you? Did you realize that if you make \$47,500 a year or more you are in the top one percent of the richest people in the world? Go to www.globalrichlist.com and enter in your annual salary to see exactly where you rank. How does it make you feel to know that not only are you rich, but you are one of the richest people in the world?

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

How will you look at your financial situation differently this week in light of the fact that you are rich?

CHANGING YOUR MIND

Command those who are rich in this present world... 1 Timothy 6:17a