

**1 Timotheo 6:6-11**

*Chesterton alisema: "Watoto wanafurahi wakati Santa Claus anaweka zawadi zao za vituo vya pipi au pipi. Je, siwezi kumshukuru Santa wakati alipoweka katika hifadhi yangu zawadi ya miguu miujiza miwili (S. Tugwell, 1975)?*

*Kamwe kamwe kabla ya historia kumekuwa na ufuatiliaji kama huo wa utajiri, kwa njia zaidi na zaidi zilizoendelea. Hajawahi kuwa na watu wengi sana walipandana juu ya nia yao ya kupata utajiri na hivyo walijifunga wenyewe juu ya matokeo ya tamaa zao wenyewe (N.T. Wright, 2003).*

Nelson Rockefeller—mmoja wa watu matajiri sana wa siku yake—anajulikana kuwa ameandika. Alipoulizwa na mwandishi kwamba ni kiasi gani cha fedha alichokiona alikuwa anahitajika kuishi kwa raha, alijibu, 'Ni kidogo zaidi kuliko mimi kupata sasa'.

**Kwa nini baadhi ya watu matajiri hawakubaliki na maisha yao wakati baadhi ya watu masikini wanadhihirishwa sana?**

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**Ni tofauti gani kati ya kuridhika na ukosefu wa tamaa? Je! Kila sifa inaweza kuathiri mwili wa Kristo?**

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**Tunawezaje kutofautisha kati ya kile tunachohitaji na kile tunachotaka? Tunaepukaje kulinganisha hali na wengine?**

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**Wiki ijayo:** *Luka 16: 1-15, 2 Wakorintho 9: 6-14*

**1 Timothy 6:6-11**

*Chesterton said: "Children are grateful when Santa Claus puts in their stockings gifts of toys or sweets. Could I not be grateful to Santa when he put in my stockings the gift of two miraculous legs (S. Tugwell, 1975)?*

*Never before in history has there been such a restless pursuit of riches, by more and more highly developed means. Never before have so many people tripped over one another in their eagerness to get rich and thereby impaled themselves on the consequences of their own greed (N.T. Wright, 2003).*

Nelson Rockefeller—one of the richest men of his day—is reputed to have summed it up. When asked by a reporter how much money he reckoned he needed to live on comfortably, he replied, 'A little more than I get now'.

**Why are some wealthy people dissatisfied with their lives when some relatively poor people are deeply satisfied?**

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**What is the difference between contentment and lack of ambition? How can each attribute affect the body of Christ?**

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**How do we distinguish between what we need vs. what we want? How do we avoid comparing situations with others?**

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**Next week:** *Luke 16:1-15, 2 Corinthians 9:6-14*

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Meneja mwaminifu

**MASOMO YA MAANDIKO YA WIKI HII:**

**Leo:** *Zaburi 141 (Mungu anakuambia nini?)*

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**Jumatatu:** *Yohana 5: 1-15*

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**Jumanne:** *Yohana 8: 1-11*

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**Jumatano:** *Zaburi 25*

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**Alhamisi:** *Waefeso 2*

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**Ijumaa:** *Warumi 6: 1-14*

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**Jumamosi:** *Warumi 3: 21-31*

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Mungu Mwenye Nguvu, ambaye mimi hupata uzima,  
afya, na nguvu, na kwa njia ya rehema yake nimevaa na  
kulishwa; Nipe moyo wa shukrani na mwaminifu.  
Katika Jina la nguvu la Mwokozi wetu Yesu,  
na kwa Roho Wake naomba, Amina.

September 16, 2018

Faithful Stewards

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:**

**Today:** *Psalm 141 (What is God saying to you?)*

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**Monday:** *John 5:1-15*

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**Tuesday:** *John 8:1-11*

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**Wednesday:** *Psalm 25*

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**Thursday:** *Ephesians 2*

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**Friday:** *Romans 6:1-14*

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**Saturday:** *Romans 3:21-31*

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Almighty God, in Whom I find life, health, and strength,  
and through Whose mercy I am clothed and fed; grant to  
me a thankful and faithful heart. In the powerful Name of  
our Savior Jesus, and by His Spirit I pray, Amen.