

OUTLINE

1. Rejoice in Jesus.
2. Discern true wealth.
3. Don't fear the future.
4. Receive the reward.

NOTES

READ Revelation 2:8-11

OBSERVE

1. Describe the circumstances of the church in Smyrna. (9-10)
2. How does Jesus introduce himself to the church in Smyrna? (8) How would this part of Jesus' identity encourage a persecuted church?
3. What is the hope of the church in Smyrna? (10-11)

INTERPRET

1. How do we tend to measure wealth and success?
2. How does Jesus measure wealth and success? What makes his definition both true and better than other definitions?

ASSESS

1. What have you given up for Jesus? What happened as a result of you giving up that thing?
2. Jesus called the church in Smyrna "rich"; what things do you act like you need in your life in order to consider yourself "rich"?
3. What fears are most impactful in your life?
4. What would "success" look like over the next year of your life? How does your definition align with Jesus' definition of success?
5. How is your life currently being shaped by the hope of eternity with Jesus? Where does it need to be shaped more by the hope of eternity?

DIG DEEPER

Weekly Reading Plan

Ecclesiastes 1-4
Ecclesiastes 5-8
Ecclesiastes 9-12
Matthew 6-7
Philippians 4:4-9

MUTUAL MINISTRY

HOW DID YOUR PLAN GO?

APPLY

1. How can you rejoice more in Jesus this week?
2. How can you actively find comfort from the fact that Jesus knows the trials you face?
3. What steps can you take to align your definitions and pursuit of wealth and success more closely to biblical concepts of wealth and success?
4. Consider the fears that influence your life, and then read Philippians 4:4-9. How can you apply Philippians 4:4-9 to your fears?
5. Are there any other steps of obedience God is calling you to from the sermon?

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