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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

If someone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but refuses to help—how can the love of God dwell in a person like that? Little children, let's not love with words or speech but with action and truth. This is how we will know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts in God's presence. 1 John 3:17 CEB

♪ Voice Of Truth [\(lyrics\)](#)

♪ Healing Begins [\(lyrics\)](#)

Reconciliation with God

Come now, and let's settle this, says the LORD. Though your sins are like scarlet, they will be white as snow. If they are red as crimson, they will become like wool. Isaiah 1:18 CEB

... In Christ you are forgiven.

R Thanks be to God!

♪ Change My Heart, O God [\(lyrics\)](#)

Sharing the Peace

... The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

R And also with you.

Time with Young Disciples

The Offering

God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. 2 Corinthians 9:8 CEB

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Scriptures (see program insert)

Message

“Economic Inequality” — Counter Culture, Part 3

Blessing & Sending

Song

🎵 [God Will Take Care of You](#) [\(lyrics + music\)](#)

We help people trust Jesus for a better life

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¹⁹ “There was a certain rich man who clothed himself in purple and fine linen, and who feasted luxuriously every day.

²⁰ At his gate lay a certain poor man named Lazarus who was covered with sores. ²¹ Lazarus longed to eat the crumbs that fell from the rich man’s table. Instead, dogs would come and lick his sores.

²² “The poor man died and was carried by angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried.

²³ While being tormented in the place of the dead, he looked up and saw Abraham at a distance with Lazarus at his side.

²⁴ He shouted, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I’m suffering in this flame.’ ²⁵ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received good things, whereas Lazarus received terrible things. Now Lazarus is being comforted and you are in great pain.

²⁶ Moreover, a great crevasse has been fixed between us and you. Those who wish to cross over from here to you cannot. Neither can anyone cross from there to us.’

²⁷ “The rich man said, ‘Then I beg you, Father, send Lazarus to my father’s house. ²⁸ I have five brothers. He needs to warn them so that they don’t come to this place of agony.’

²⁹ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets. They must listen to them.’ ³⁰ The rich man said, ‘No, Father Abraham! But if someone from the dead goes to them, they will change their hearts and lives.’ ³¹ Abraham said, ‘If they don’t listen to Moses and the Prophets, then neither will they be persuaded if someone rises from the dead.’”

Economic Inequality: Counter-Culture, Part 3

1. BIBLE KNOWLEDGE QUIZ: WHAT IS THE SIN OF SODOM?

This is the sin of your sister Sodom: She and her daughters were proud, had plenty to eat, and enjoyed peace and prosperity; but she didn't help the poor and the needy.
Ezekiel 16:49 CEB

2. THE RICH MAN DID WRONG _____ GOOD.

Wash! Be clean! Remove your ugly deeds from my sight. Put an end to such evil; learn to do good. Seek justice: help the oppressed; defend the orphan; plead for the widow. Isaiah 1:16–17 CEB

Tell people who are rich at this time not to become egotistical and not to place their hope on their finances, which are uncertain. Instead, they need to hope in God, who richly provides everything for our enjoyment. Tell them to do good, to be rich in the good things they do, to be generous, and to share with others.

1 Timothy 6:17–18 CEB

It isn't that we want others to have financial ease and you financial difficulties, but it's a matter of equality. At the present moment, your surplus can fill their deficit so that in the future their surplus can fill your deficit. In this way there is equality.

2 Corinthians 8:13–14 CEB

Even when we were with you we were giving you this command: "If anyone doesn't want to work, they shouldn't eat."

2 Thessalonians 3:10 CEB

"I tell you that her many sins have been forgiven; so she has shown great love. The one who is forgiven little loves little."

Luke 7:47 CEB

"You should treat people in the same way that you want people to treat you; this is the Law and the Prophets." Matthew 7:12 CEB

"I was hungry and you didn't give me food to eat. I was thirsty and you didn't give me anything to drink. I was a stranger and you didn't welcome me. I was naked and you didn't give me clothes to wear. I was sick and in prison, and you didn't visit me."

Matthew 25:42–43 CEB

Thieves should no longer steal. Instead, they should go to work, using their hands to do good so that they will have something to share with whoever is in need. Ephesians 4:28 CEB

Let the king bring justice to people who are poor; let him save the children of those who are needy, but let him crush oppressors!

Psalms 72:4

Every third year you must bring the tenth part of your produce from that year and leave it at your city gates. Then the Levites, who have no designated inheritance like you do, along with the immigrants, orphans, and widows who live in your cities, will come and feast until they are full. Deuteronomy 14:28–29

Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), complained, "This perfume was worth a year's wages! Why wasn't it sold and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief. He carried the money bag and would take what was in it.)

John 12:4–6