

The Generosity Paradox
“The Paradox of More”

11.19.23
Ecclesiastes 5:10-19

Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless to think that wealth brings true happiness! ¹¹The more you have, the more people come to help you spend it. So what good is wealth—except perhaps to watch it slip through your fingers! ¹²People who work hard sleep well, whether they eat little or much. But the rich seldom get a good night’s sleep. ¹³There is another serious problem I have seen under the sun. Hoarding riches harms the saver. ¹⁴Money is put into risky investments that turn sour, and everything is lost. In the end, there is nothing left to pass on to one’s children. ¹⁵We all come to the end of our lives as naked and empty-handed as on the day we were born. We can’t take our riches with us.

Ecclesiastes 5:10-15 (NLT)

The Difficulty with “More”

- The _____ you have, the less you are _____
- The _____ you have, the more you realize it does you _____
- The _____ you have, the more you have to _____ about it
- The _____ you have, the more you hurt yourself by _____ on to it
- The _____ you have, the more you have to _____
- The _____ you have, the more you will _____ behind

The Blessing of “More”

- Generosity allows our “more” to be a _____ rather than a _____

4 Ways to give:

- ⇒ Place in baskets during Sunday Services
- ⇒ Text 7206508383
- ⇒ Give online using the QR Code
- ⇒ Mail your checks to the church



CONNECT CARD

Service Attended: 9am 11am

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Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

- Please: I committed/recommitted my life to Christ
 Have a Pastor contact me
 Include me in the Weekly Community Update email
 I would like to talk to someone about joining a Group

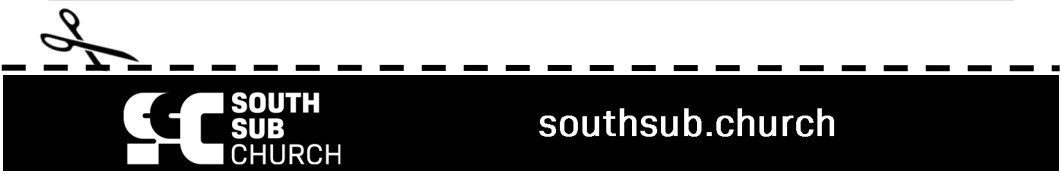
The Difficulty with “More”

- The more you have, the less you are satisfied
- The more you have, the more you realize it does you no good
- The more you have, the more you have to worry about it
- The more you have, the more you hurt yourself by holding on to it
- The more you have, the more you have to lose
- The more you have, the more you will leave behind

The Blessing of “More”

- Generosity allows our “more” to be a help rather than a hardship

What’s Coming Up:
Sisterhood Brunch - Saturday, December 2, 10am to noon
Join our guest speaker Amanda Roberts talk about the book “Silver Boxes, the Gift of Encouragement.” Please RSVP online or in the foyer and plan to bring a dish to share.
Gingerbread Bash - Sunday, December 3, noon to 3pm
Play games, sing songs, decorate a gingerbread-style nativity and learn about the first Christmas ever. It’s an experience for the whole family. \$5/kit or \$20 max/family and lunch is included. We recommend a kit for each child. Registration closes November 26.
For more information or to see other events, please go to our events page at southsub.church



PRAYER REQUESTS
