

**BOLD: Be on Guard**  
***1 Timothy 6:17-21***

**SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:**

**1 Timothy 6:5 (NIV):** ...people of corrupt mind, who have been robbed of the truth and who think that godliness is a means to financial gain.

**SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:**

**1 Timothy 6:11 (NIV):** <sup>11</sup> But you, man of God, flee from all this...

**MAIN POINT:**

**Guard what has been entrusted to your care.**

**What has God placed under your care?**

**MAIN SCRIPTURE:**

**1 Timothy 6:17 (NIV):** <sup>17</sup> Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

**“Nearly half the world lives on less than \$5.50 a day.”**

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**Say no to asceticism.**

**Say no to materialism.**

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**Guard what has been entrusted to your care.**

**MAIN SCRIPTURE:**

**1 Timothy 6:18-19 (NIV):** <sup>18</sup> Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. <sup>19</sup> In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

**“A man’s opportunities to do good to others increase with the abundance of his riches.”**

**-John Calvin**

**Wealth is not a sin, but a responsibility.**

**SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:**

**Matthew 6:19-21 (NIV):** <sup>19</sup> “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. <sup>20</sup> But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

**SUPPORT SCRIPTURE:**

**Matthew 6:24 (NIV):** <sup>24</sup> “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

**MAIN POINT:**

**Guard what has been entrusted to your care.**

**MAIN SCRIPTURE:**

**1 Timothy 6:20-21 (NIV):** <sup>20</sup> Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, <sup>21</sup> which some have professed and in so doing have departed from the faith. Grace be with you all.

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