

The Economy of the Heart
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- **James' Warning – How You Invest Your Heart Matters**

- **Wealth Comes in Many Forms**
 - Money, possessions, time, talent...
 - **Million Dollar Question:** *Do you trust in the One who gives or what He has given?*

- **The One Who Trusts in Wealth...**
 - Love of wealth produces a greedy spirit, that leads to exploitation of others and ultimately drives us away from the heart of God (v.6).
 - Love of wealth produces a greedy spirit... (v.3, 5)
 - That leads to exploitation of others... (v.4)
 - And ultimately drives us away from the heart of God (v.6).

- **The One Who Trusts in God...**
 - Love of God produces a generous spirit, that leads to the betterment of others and ultimately grants us peace that surpasses all understanding.
 - Love of God produces a generous spirit (2 Corinthians 8:1-7)
 - That leads to the betterment of others (2 Corinthians 8:8-9)
 - And ultimately grants us peace that surpasses all understanding (Philippians 4:4-7)

- **Challenge: Heart Audit This Week**
 1. Ask Jesus to reveal anything in your life that is getting in the way of Him being Lord
 2. Find a way to “invest” that obstacle back into the Kingdom