

November 6, 2016  
I Timothy 6:17-19

## **VOTING THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE**

### **I. Introduction: Are you ready to vote?**

### **II. As Christians We Need To Ask:**

How Does God Want Me To Vote?

### **III. The Value Of One Vote:**

See John Salisbury's Book: "One Vote"

### **IV. Our Daily Vote:**

- We vote daily with our feet
- We vote daily with our hands
- We vote daily with our calendars
- We vote daily with our pocketbooks

### **V. God's Perspective On Money**

"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. [18] Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. [19] 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." I Timothy 6:17-19

## VI. Paul's Advice To Timothy

### A. Don't Be \_\_\_\_\_

“Command those who are rich in this present world not to be **arrogant**.” I Timothy 6:17

### B. Don't Trust In Wealth For \_\_\_\_\_

“**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.”  
I Timothy 6:17

### C. Be \_\_\_\_\_ And Willing To \_\_\_\_\_

[18] Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be **generous** and willing to share.” I Timothy 6:18

[19] 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.”  
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**POINTS TO PONDER**  
**Week of November 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Voting Makes A Difference**  
**I Timothy 6:11-21**

### Open It

1. \*What well-known people or historical figures are known to you as fighters?

2. What sort of goals do people in your profession tend to pursue?
3. What goals do TV commercials and print ads encourage us to pursue?

### **Explore It**

4. \*What did Paul tell Timothy to pursue? (6:11)
5. \*What was Timothy urged to fight? (6:12)
6. What did Paul tell Timothy to take hold of? (6:12)
7. Before whom did Timothy make a confession? What kind? (6:12-13)
8. When did Jesus make "the good confession"? (6:13)
9. \*How long was Timothy supposed to keep Paul's command? (6:14-15)
10. When will Christ return? (6:14-15)
11. What titles and attributes did Paul ascribe to God? (6:15-16)
12. Why should those who are rich not be arrogant or put their hope in wealth? (6:17)
13. What command is given to those who are rich? (6:18)
14. Why would someone want to lay up treasure for themselves? (6:19)
15. What was Timothy to guard? (6:20)
16. What was Timothy to turn away from? (6:20)
17. How had some wandered away from the truth? (6:20-21)

## **Get It**

18. \*In what way is the Christian life a fight?
19. How are we to pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness?
20. \*What does it mean to "fight the good fight"?
21. Before whom have you made a confession of your faith?
22. How do God's attributes influence your worship of Him?
23. Why is it so easy for us to trust in our possessions, accomplishments, or abilities?
24. In what ways do people place their treasure here on earth?
25. How can a person lay up treasure in heaven?
26. How is it possible for someone to wander away from the faith?
27. What actions can you take that will store treasure in heaven for you?

## **Apply It**

28. In what way can you pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, or gentleness in your life this week?
29. \*How can you fight the good fight of faith each day?
30. What preventive measure can you take each day to be sure that you don't wander from the faith?