

# ***GROWTH GUIDE***

## **READ & RESPOND**

Today's focus is going to be on putting the principles of the biblical text into action.

Begin by reading James 5:1-6 in its entirety.

### **How Does This Point Me to Christ?**

*Read Mark 10:17-27. Notice this man's hope is in the wrong things. He was so attached to earthly things that he would not give them up for the Kingdom of Heaven. The disciples found this teaching difficult and ask, "Who then can be saved?" Jesus responds, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." Jesus can reach the rich.*

Take the time to pray for someone whose earthly attachments might be preventing them from following Christ.

# What Can We Do as a Congregation?

*Pastor Brolin challenged us to look at how we treat the poor at our door.*

How do you react when someone who is poor or homeless comes into our worship service? What is something we can do in the future to care for people around the church?

# What Can I Do Personally?

*Pastor Brolin challenged us to assess if we are investing in our heavenly account or our bank account.*

Ask a friend to honestly assess if your life reflects earthly desire or a heavenly hope.