

Rich in Good Works

Ready:

“Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life.” 1 Timothy 6:18-19

Set

One hot, sunny day in June, our FCA Huddle in Maryland made our way to Baltimore City to serve others.

Our first stop was The Samaritan Women Institute for Shelter Care, an organization that strives to build a better support system for trafficked women in communities. We had an opportunity to clean the inside and outside of a staff's house. The job required tons of manual labor, but we found that we received more reward than what we gave. We learned, grew, and made a difference for others.

Next, we stopped at the Park Heights Saints Father's Day picnic. This was a unique and insightful experience being that most of our Huddle members were from middle-to-high income households and suburban neighborhoods and were mingling with the families and students of low-income, urban neighborhoods. We played catch, ran some football plays, played games with the kids, and met some people whose backgrounds and day-to-day lives were starkly different than ours, which instilled a sense of humbleness in us.

Throughout the entire day, we strived to make ourselves become “rich in good works,” where instead of material or monetary success, we focused on the spiritual success of honoring God by serving others. We became spiritually rich in new experiences and in new relationships.

As coaches and athletes, we often attribute being rich to that of monetary values or materials. As Christians, God wants us to think about how we can obtain spiritual richness by following God's plan and serving others through love and good works like Jesus did. Next time you think about becoming rich or achieving success, reframe your mind and go all in for serving God and His children, which include the people in and around your cities, communities, and schools.

Go

1. What is a local service project you can do with your team?
2. How have you grown rich in the past by serving others?

Workout

Psalm 2:11; Romans 12:11; Joshua 24:14

Overtime

“Lord thank You for reminding us we should be 'rich in good works.' Each time we decide to bless others with good work, we are the only ones that really get the blessing. Thank You for that. Lord, open our eyes to new opportunities to serve others. In Jesus' name, Amen!”

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