

Give Because We Are Rich

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Are you rich?



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Why should we become
generous and joyful givers?



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Reason 1: Giving is an act of worship to
our worthy God (Exodus 35-36).

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Reason 2: Giving to God's purposes is an
investment in eternity.

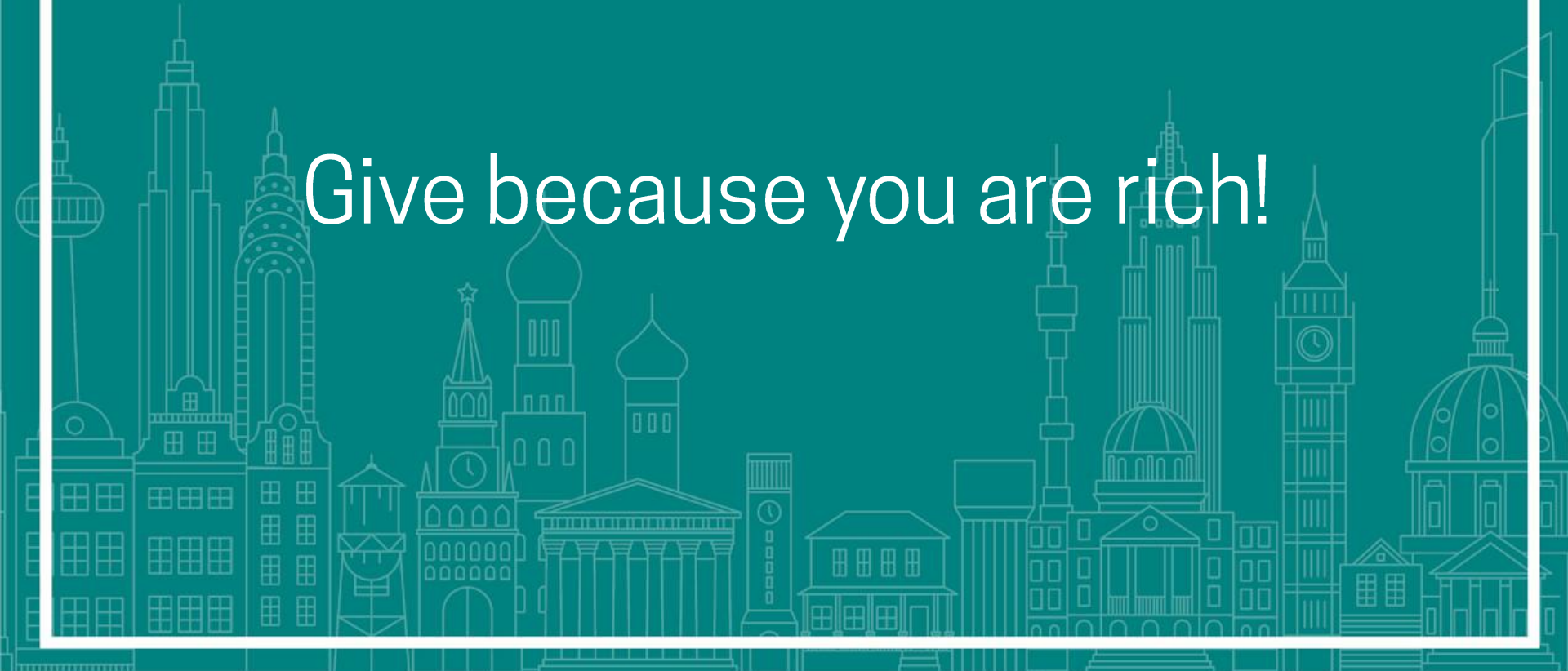
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Why should we become
generous and joyful givers?

Reason 3: Giving is the proper response to
God's generosity.

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Give because you are rich!



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We are materially rich

If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content. But those who want to get rich fall into temptation.

1 Timothy 6:8-9a

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Rich: To have more than you need for food, clothing, and shelter.



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Worldwide median household income:
\$10,000/year (\$3,000 per capita)

If your annual income exceeds \$35,000,
you are in the top 1% worldwide.

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We are not better than others because we are wealthy. Nor are we wealthy because we are better than others.



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But you shall remember the Lord your God,
for it is He who is giving you power to
make wealth.

Deuteronomy 8:18

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For who regards you as superior? What do you have that you did not receive? And if you did receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it?

1 Corinthians 4:7

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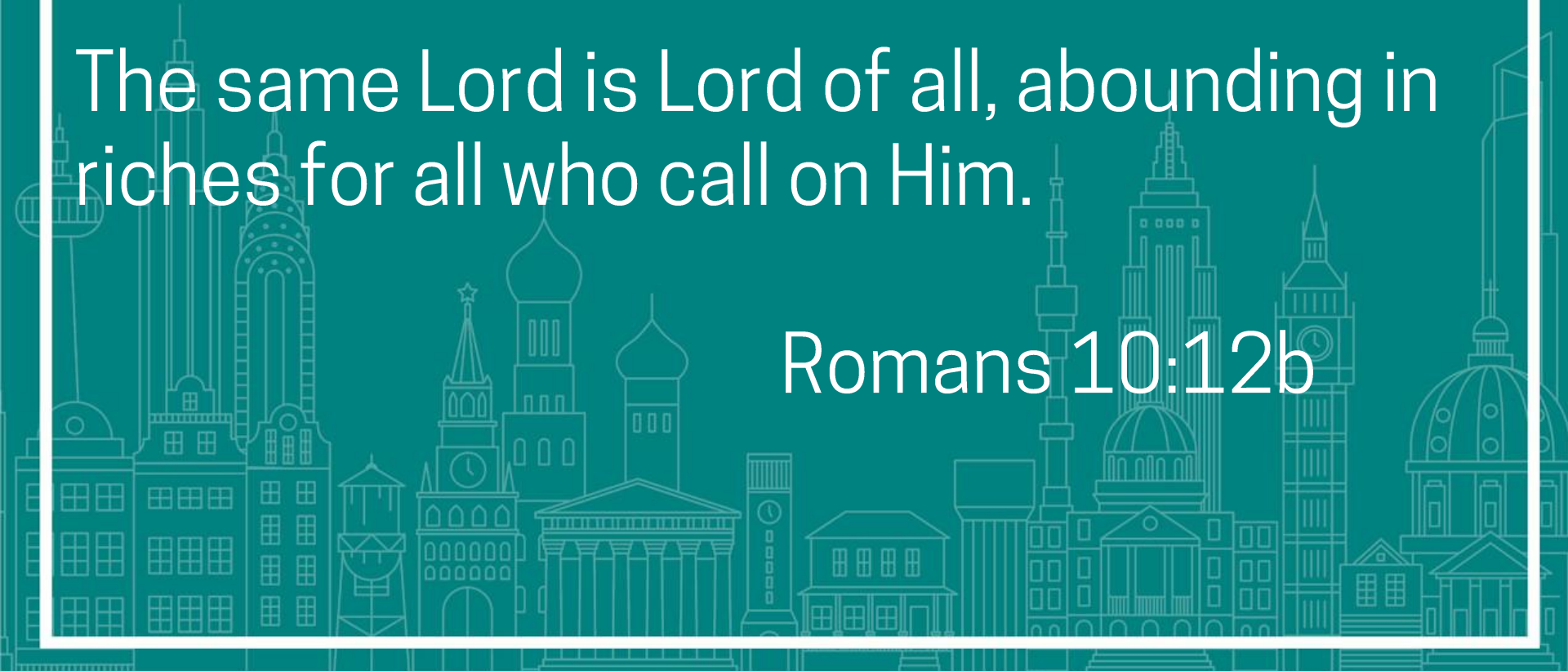
We are spiritually rich



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The same Lord is Lord of all, abounding in riches for all who call on Him.

Romans 10:12b



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In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace which He lavished on us.

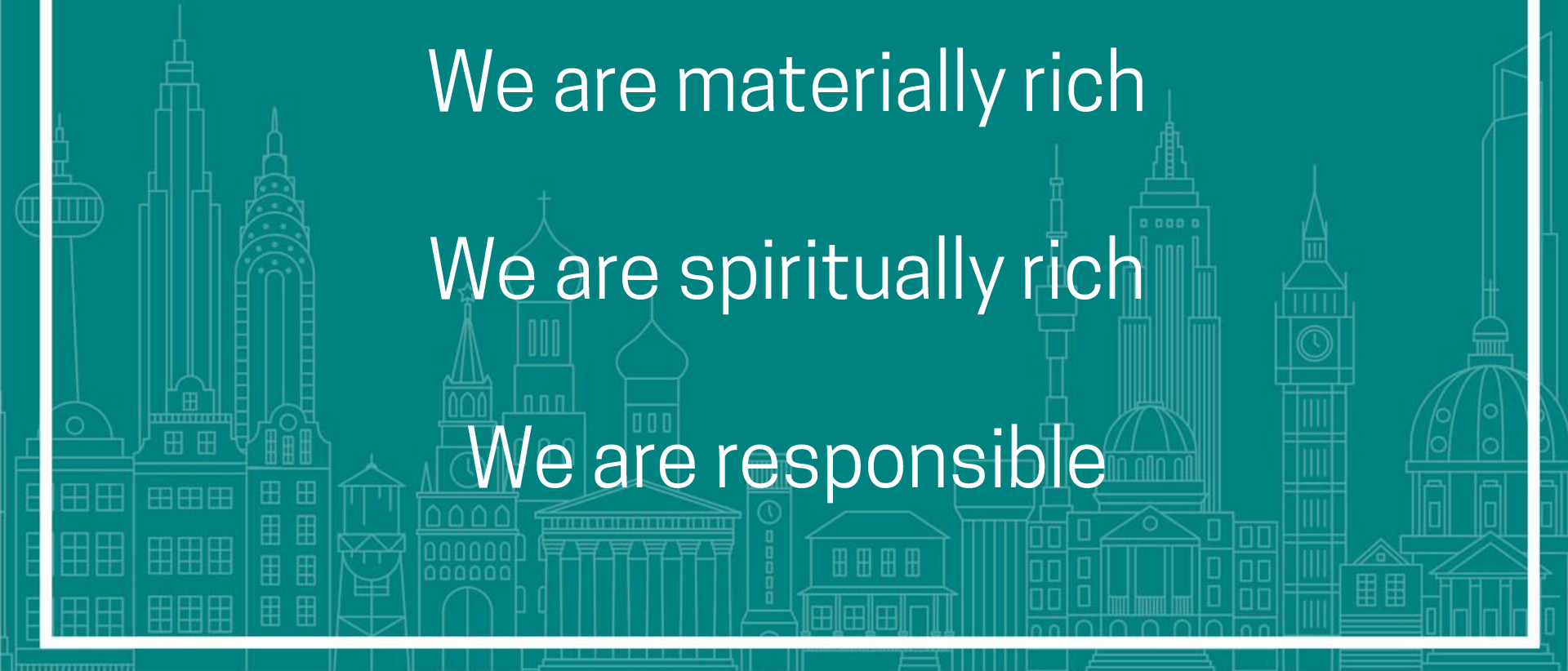
Ephesians 1:7-8

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We are materially rich

We are spiritually rich

We are responsible



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Why do we have riches?

- To enjoy God's kindness



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God...richly supplies us with all things to enjoy.

1 Timothy 6:17

Every good thing and perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights.

James 1:17

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Why do we have riches?

- To enjoy God's kindness
- To reflect God's generosity

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Instruct [the rich] to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share.

1 Timothy 6:18

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Why do we have riches?

- To enjoy God's kindness
- To reflect God's generosity
- To proclaim God's salvation

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I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always offering prayer with joy in my every prayer for you all, in view of your participation in the gospel from the first day until now.

Philippians 1:3-5

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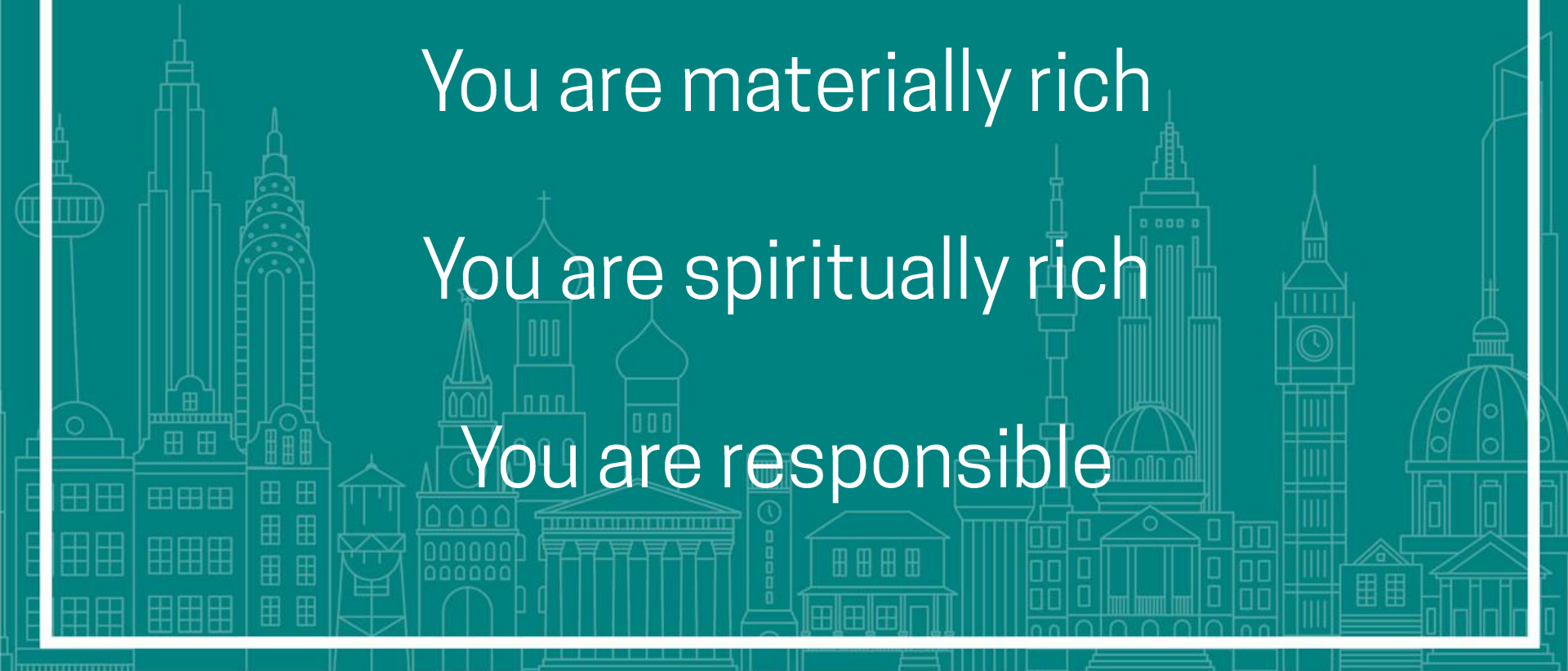
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Are we using our riches to reflect
God's values?

