



## Addressing Affluence

*Revelation 3:14-22*

**Main point:** Affluence requires greater sensitivity to God's heart

### Affluence leaves us

*Wretched:* tight community becomes wealthy independence

*Pitiable:* having so much and yet "needing" more

*Poor:* making more money, yet feeling less rich

*Blind:* unable to see the things that matter to God

*Naked:* exposed...financially, relationally, emotionally

### Jesus calls us to

#### Buy

Gold refined by fire that lasts...heavenly treasure

*Mat 6:19-21*

White garments of righteousness that cover our shame

*Rev 19:7-8; Isa 61:10*

Salve for our eyes so we can see the world as God does

*Joh 4:35; 2Pe 1:5-10*

#### Repent

We should be zealous to do good *Tit 2:14; Rev 2:5, 16; 3:3*

#### Open the door

He wants to have fellowship with us *1Jo 1:3*

### Application *1 Timothy 6:17-19*

Don't set your hope on the uncertainty of riches

(Don't let the affluence of SoArNoCa fool you)

Set your focus on God, and enjoy the wealth He has given you

Use your wealth for good

Do good

Be rich in good works

Be generous and ready to share (everything!)

Take hold of what is truly life

### Response

How will Friendship put our resources to work?

How will you put your resources to work?