

# "Affluenza"

### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION AND DISCUSSION

Read the following Scriptures from Sunday's message. What strikes you as challenging, convicting, or encouraging?

James 5:1-6 Matthew 6:19-24 Luke 12:13-21

Ezekiel 16:49 2 Corinthians 8:9

Is James condemning all rich people or wealth in this passage? What is he condemning?

Do you consider yourself to be rich? Why or why not?

What do you do with the gifts you receive (money, time, resources, talents)? Why?

The 4 "symptoms" of affluenza that James confronts in this passage are:

Useless Hoarding Unjust Gain
Self-Indulgent Spending Ruthless Oppression

How is Jesus the "cure" for affluenza?

Do you need to repent of hoarding, oppressing others, or self-indulgence in your spending? What does it look-like for you to seek first God's Kingdom and righteousness? In what specific ways do your priorities and lifestyle need to change as you mature in following Jesus?

# **REMINDERS**

#### WEDNESDAY 8-5

**Prayer in the Parking Lot—7:00 p.m.** (Each Wednesday continuing through the end of summer). Bring your own chairs or sit in your car and we will meet outside the church for an hour to pray corporately for God's Spirit to bring revival to our church, our community, and our nation.

We hope you will join us! In the meantime, please join many of us who are interceding daily for revival in our land. 2 Chronicles 7:14

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 9
10:00 a.m. —Morning Worship Service

### **GIVING**

### Options for Giving:

- Offering Boxes mounted near back of Sanctuary & on the rolling mailboxes in the Foyer
- Online Giving www.brittfreechurch.com/give/
- Mail a check (address below)
- If you want to give to the Benevolence Fund, please indicate accordingly when you give.

Weekly Budget: \$8,700 Giving Last Week—General Fund \$8,254.21

# **PRAYER NEEDS**

Please pray for these people with health issues or other concerns:

David Peterson Doug Kneisel Steve Redig Blanche Friedow Paul Delger

#### Please pray for:

- •Our Nation at this turbulent time and for Repentance and Revival
- Service Men & Women and Police Officers
- •Missionaries including Aby & Babitha Kallimel
- •Prayer for those who are isolated at home and in nursing homes and assisted living
- •Our Search Committee for Director of Worship & Technology
- Our Search Committee for Youth Pastor
- Our Church Leadership
- Pastor Steve & Carol Couch

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