



# Grace Hill Church

*The Mission of Grace Hill Is to Gather People to the Table of Christ, Who Is the Bread of Life, to Be Transformed by His Grace, Renewed in His Truth, and Sent on His Mission.*

“And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.” ~Luke 12.19–21

“There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup> and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup> And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ <sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup> And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup> And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup> But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup> And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup> He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’” ~Luke 16.19-31

“Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you.” ~James 5.1

“But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs. ~1 Tim. 6.6–10

“... for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him.” For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” Romans 10.12-13

“He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.” ~Heb 11.26

“He said also to the man who had invited him, ‘When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.’” ~Luke 14.12–14

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.” ~1 Tim. 6.17–19

“For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one.” ~Heb. 10:34

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## **Expressing Our Love and Praise: Worship in Song**

### **Welcoming Each Other**

### **Giving Worship to God: Offering**

### **Hearing God’s Word: Scripture Reading *Luke 6.20–26; 2 Cor. 6.10***

<sup>20</sup> And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup> “Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

<sup>22</sup> “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! <sup>23</sup> Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

<sup>24</sup> “But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup> “Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.

“Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup> “Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.”

*2 Cor. 6.10*

... as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

## **Understanding God’s Word and Our Lives**

### **Sermon: Money and True Wealth**

### **Series: Luke’s Historic Account of Jesus: An Invitation to Faith and Following**

#### **Outline:**

1. Christ Challenges Us with Uncomfortable Words about Earthly Money and Treasure
2. Christ Wants Us to Know and Live that He Is Our New Treasure
3. Christ Wants Us to Be His Servants in Making Others Rich

## **Recognizing our Brokenness: Confession of Sin**

### **Public Prayer**

God, we confess we struggle with money. We find it so easy to let the financial realities and contexts of American life lead us to justifying, seeking, longing to build our life on riches. In a variety of ways, we are seeking from money, rather than from You Lord: security, identity, comfort, and control. Forgive us.

Father, You have intentionally put so many gospel realities in terms of money and wealth so that we would not miss that You intend us to find You as our true, real, actual wealth and treasure. We ask for Your help with the small problem of being wise financial stewards in this world. But we really need Your grace and power with the big challenge of coming to You as the poor but knowing that in You we have fabulous wealth, and from that, seeking to make many rich.

### **Private Reflection**

#### **The Grace and Forgiveness of Christ**

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. ~2 Cor. 8.9

“Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. ~Luke 12.32-34

### **Responding to the Lord with Worship**

#### **Taking hold of the Good Word: Benediction (“the good word”)**

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. (Heb. 13.20–21)

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#### **Announcements:**

- **CORE Zoom Pin: 989209**
- **Educational Support Needs:** Grace Hill is continuing to assist with the educational support for two boys in the Orange County school system. We could use additional volunteers on Monday and Wednesday mornings. If you have the ability to help, please reach out to Allyson ([vanwyk4704@msn.com](mailto:vanwyk4704@msn.com)) or Andrea ([andrea@gracehillnc.org](mailto:andrea@gracehillnc.org)). <https://tinyurl.com/y5kvyc6>
- **Women’s Bible Study:** Wednesdays starting at 9:30 am on Zoom. Contact Cathy Durham at [cathyoodurham@gmail.com](mailto:cathyoodurham@gmail.com) for the Zoom code.
- **In-Person Worship:** If you'd like to attend worship in-person, please email Andrea ([andrea@gracehillnc.org](mailto:andrea@gracehillnc.org)) about your desire to worship in person at GH for upcoming Sundays. Please email or call Ross with any questions.
- **Worship in Offering:** Three ways to worship the Lord with your tithes and offerings
  - Use your bank’s BillPay system to give to Grace Hill
  - Send a physical check
  - Use our mobile giving option (either as a guest or by setting up an account):
    - <https://faithlife.com/grace-hill-church/give>, or
    - <https://tinyurl.com/ul68txo>, or
    - Simply text the word Give with the amount (e.g. Give 100) to 919 296 1330.
- **Small Groups:** We have four small groups meetings during the week (Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays evenings)! Some in person, one online, and one hybrid. Contact Ross to join the right one for you!



Grace Hill seeks to live by and testify to the grace and truth of Jesus Christ (John 1.14–18). We are affiliated with the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, a Presbyterian denomination with a rich history of living in Christ’s grace and truth. Our pastor is Ross Durham. He can be reached at [ross@gracehillnc.org](mailto:ross@gracehillnc.org) or by cell phone at 919.593.2169. Our Youth Director is Daniel Havener, [daniel@gracehillnc.org](mailto:daniel@gracehillnc.org). Our Worship Music Director is Kayli Havener, [kayli@gracehillnc.org](mailto:kayli@gracehillnc.org). Our Communications Coordinator is Andrea Sterling, [andrea@gracehillnc.org](mailto:andrea@gracehillnc.org) Address: 515 Meadowlands Drive, Suite 500, Hillsborough, North Carolina 27278 [www.gracehillnc.org](http://www.gracehillnc.org); Facebook: Grace Hill Church; Twitter: @gracehillchurch; Instagram: gracehillnc