

Be Rich 2018: Mar Azul - 11/11/18

OVERVIEW

1 Timothy 6:18 instructs us to be rich toward others through good deeds and by generously sharing our time and financial resources. We heard firsthand how God is working in the hurricane-ravaged communities of Puerto Rico. Mar Azul described the ways God has used their ministry to provide tangible help to those in need. They shared powerful stories of changed and transformed lives. God continues to expand the influence of Mar Azul as they build a campus that will serve as a community center and place of refuge and shelter.

Scripture: 1 Timothy 6:18-19 NIV

APPLICATION

- 1. When it comes to "being rich" with our finances and sharing with others, what is your natural first response when this topic is discussed?
- 2. 1 Timothy 6:18-19 says to encourage people to be "rich in good deeds" and the reward for living this way is "a life that is truly life." Describe what a life being rich in good deeds looks like.
- 3. During the interview Mar Azul's pastor, Yas, said, "sometimes, it's right to be the hands and feet of Jesus, and not just the voice." What would you have to risk being the hands and feet of Jesus <u>AND</u> the voice?
- 4. On a scale from 1 to 10, with 10 being extremely giving. Are you good at "being rich?" Explain, why you chose your number. How could you improve?
- 5. We were reminded that "being rich" means more than how to handle material wealth—it's about sharing your life. This is not a one-time thing, but a daily decision we make. What does "being rich" or "sharing your life" look like for you?

HOMEWORK: Ask God to show you how to recognize places in your life where you can be rich in good deeds, then pick one way you can take action this week.