



# SERMON NOTES

Sunday, January 24, 2021 | Pastor Scott Boerckel

## **“A Christian View of Economics”**

### Part 3

1. How do I respond personally to the economic world around me? 8 ways of personal response.

## Table Talk

- 1) Evaluate John Wesley's maxim, "Gain all you can; save all you can; give all you can." Of those three, which is hardest for you?
- 2) In what ways are you "finding needs and filling them"? How can we teach young ones this principle? Why should we resist the absence of work in retirement?
- 3) Why should we resist the temptation to invest our money in places that does not put our money to work? How can we tell whether or not something is a "productive pursuit"? Why should we resist the idea that human needs constitute human rights?
- 4) If everyone is corrupted by sin, how can we ourselves avoid being corrupted by sin in the area of economics? Why are laziness, pride, and incurring debt so weakening to our souls? How do they hinder our progress toward Christ-likeness?
- 5) What can you do to become a more generous person?
- 6) What should we prize above a prosperous economy or personal riches? How does one's identity in Christ permit both the value of work, its reward, AND the joyful acceptance of persecution? Should the believer be stripped of all his material goods?