# GRACE RUT INSIDE OUT INSIDE OUT

### 1. Poverty & Riches Parameters in the Bible

### 2. Sharpening Our Grid

3. Where From Here?

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### OCLESIONENT 2010 meters Deuteronomy 15:1-11 Intentional provision approach God's comprehensive distribution plan Soft-hearted, open-handed, generous Response a matter of sin or blessing Recognition of ongoing presence of the Poor



# Octestiment 20rometers Isaiah 1:10-17, 21-23

- Focus on integrity & whole-hearted worship
- Justice, compassion key elements of doing good
  - Neglect of justice, compassion is sin
    - Ongoing sin brings judgment



### Old - and New - Testament Parameters Isaiah 61:1-3; Luke 4:16-21 Anointed message of Good News To Afflicted, Brokenhearted, Captives, Prisoners, Mourners, Faint Themes of healing, liberty and freedom, favor in judgment, comfort, praise



### New Jestoment Porometers

### Matthew 5:3

### Recognition of utter need Reward of ultimate riches



### New esignent Parameters Luke 15:11-32 Wayward child spends everything Deep state of Poverty Extravagant Father's love, rescue & restoration Contrast with judgmental, embittered, entitled heart



## AW ESIMENT 2010 meters Luke 10:29-37

- Contrast with desire to justify oneself
- Key is compassion and mercy toward others, not self-preservation
  - Focus on healing and restoration
  - Involves engagement and personal cost GRACETRUT

# New estiment Parameters Matthew 25:31-46 Included in final judgment Kingdom inheritance from justice, compassion, giving to needy...to God

Eternal fire from neglect of justice, compassion, giving to needy...to God

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# AW ESGMENT 2010 melers 1 John 3:16-18

- Jesus' sacrificial ("He laid down His life for us") love is our model for loving others
  - Choosing to keep world's goods rather than give them to a brother in need
    - Do not love with words, but in deed and truth

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### New Jestoment Porometers

### James 1:9-11 Proper mindset/heartset of Poor and Rich Temporal nature of worldly riches

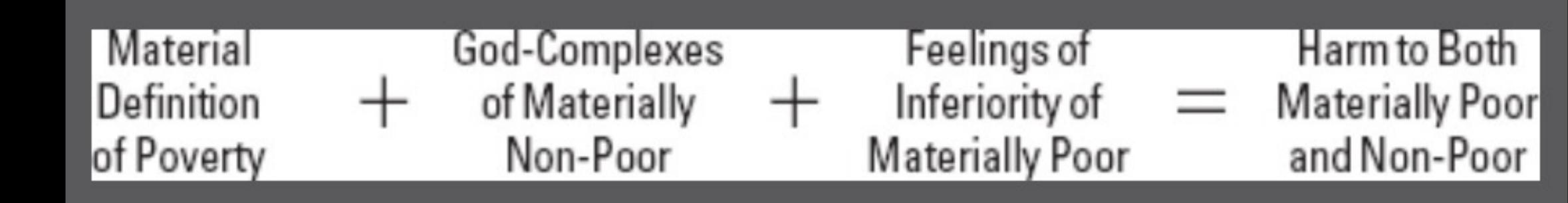


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 Accurately define poverty and proper responses to it Recognize accountability Act in appropriate ways

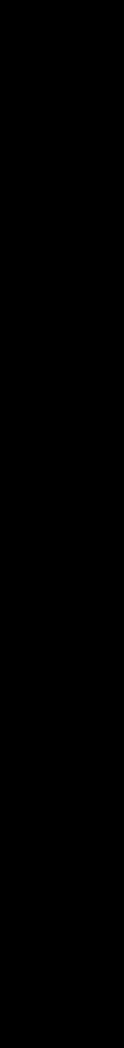


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From When Helping Hurts: How to Alleviate Poverty Without Hurting the Poor...and Yourself





# Where From Here?

• Pray • Be encouraged in how God is already moving

# Don't hold back...get engaged

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