

Epiphany

revelation of the way things “really are”



This is God's word for my life in this place and at this time, Today I am a new creation in Christ, I am God's very own, and I believe He has a purpose for my life.



People who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.



Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life.

1 Timothy 6:9-19



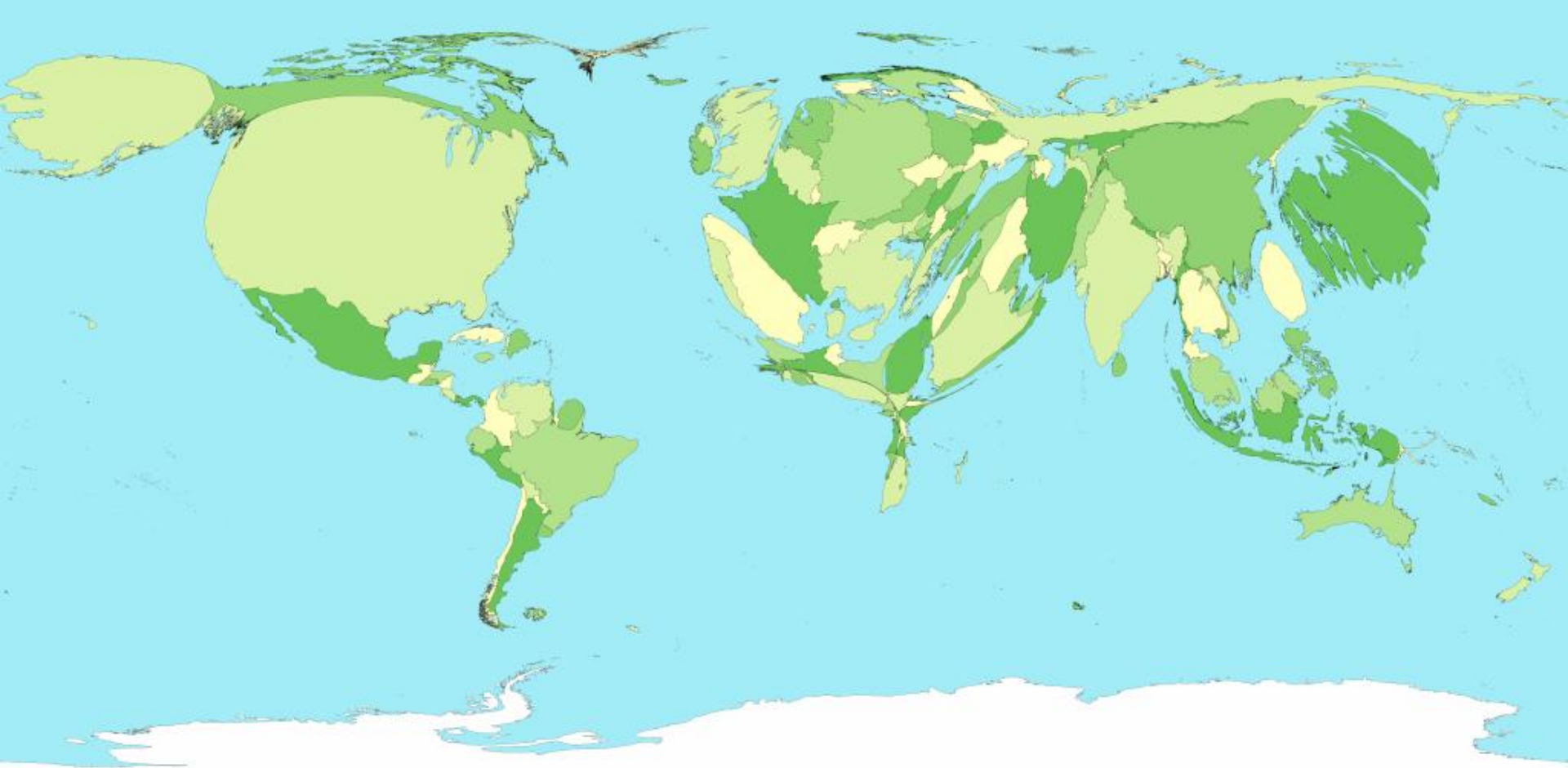
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Who are the “rich”?

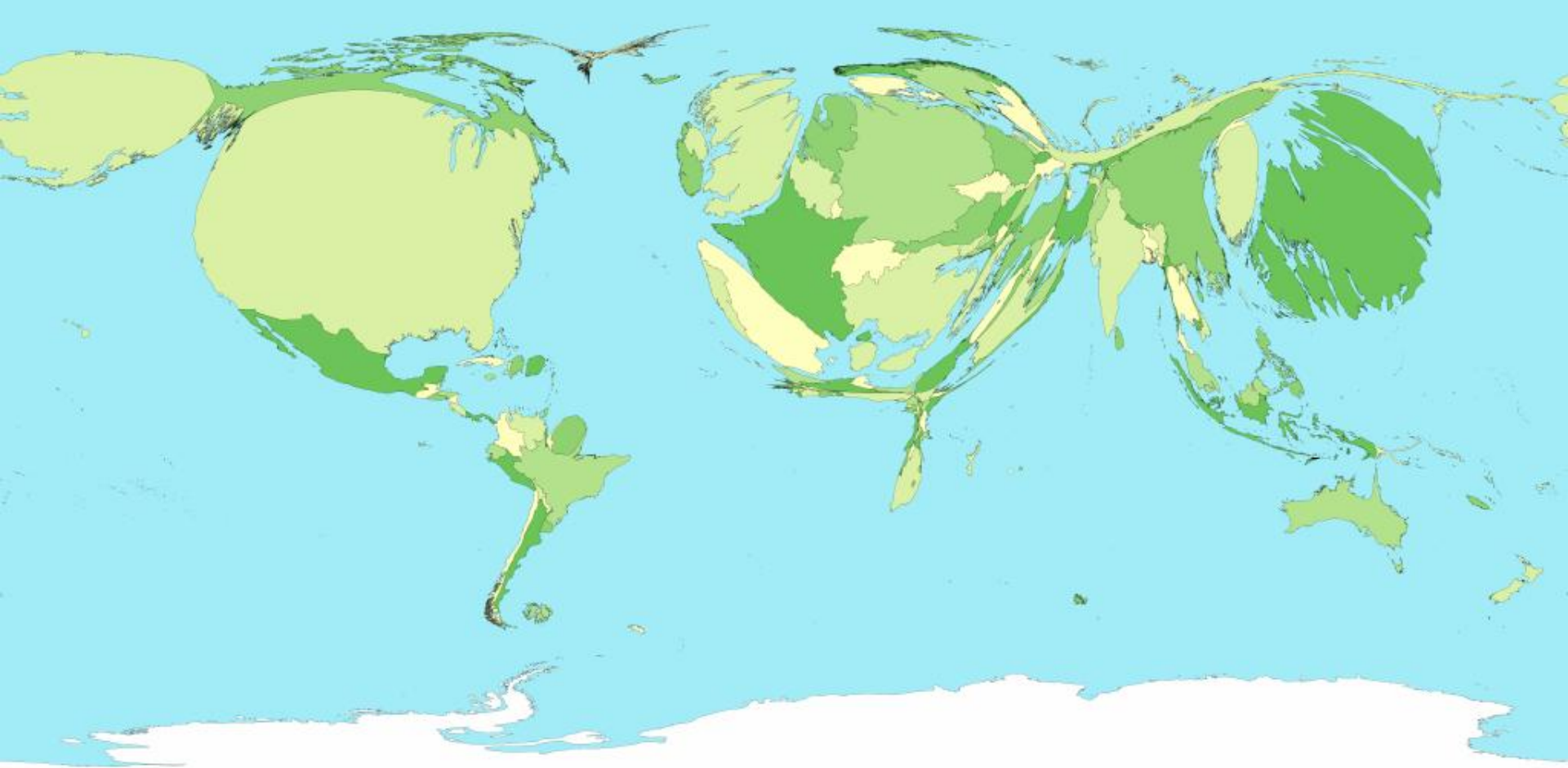




Population



Energy



Gross Domestic Product

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Anyone with extra resources!
(food, clothing, shelter, water, security)



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World Middle Class - \$1,225/year





LIFE IS NOT ABOUT MONEY

✧ Material Wealth is TEMPORARY

Wealth tempts us to be self-reliant



✧ Material Wealth is DECEPTIVE

Wealth traps us in our desire for more

“**trapped** by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction.” V9



✧ **Material Wealth will not SATISFY**

Wealth brings the sorrow of empty promises.

“Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless to think that wealth brings true happiness!” Eccl. 5:10



What is LIFE all about?

“This is eternal life – they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ.” John 17:3

