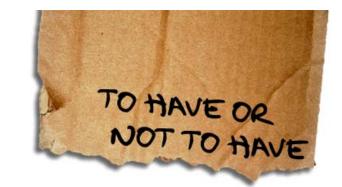


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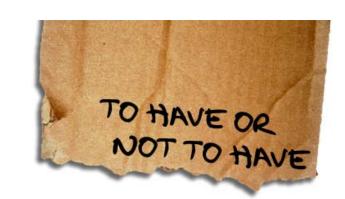
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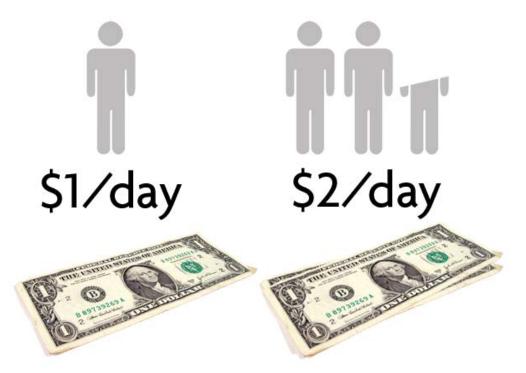




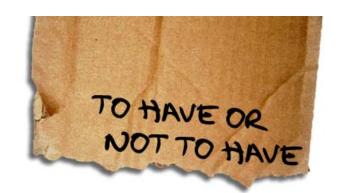


































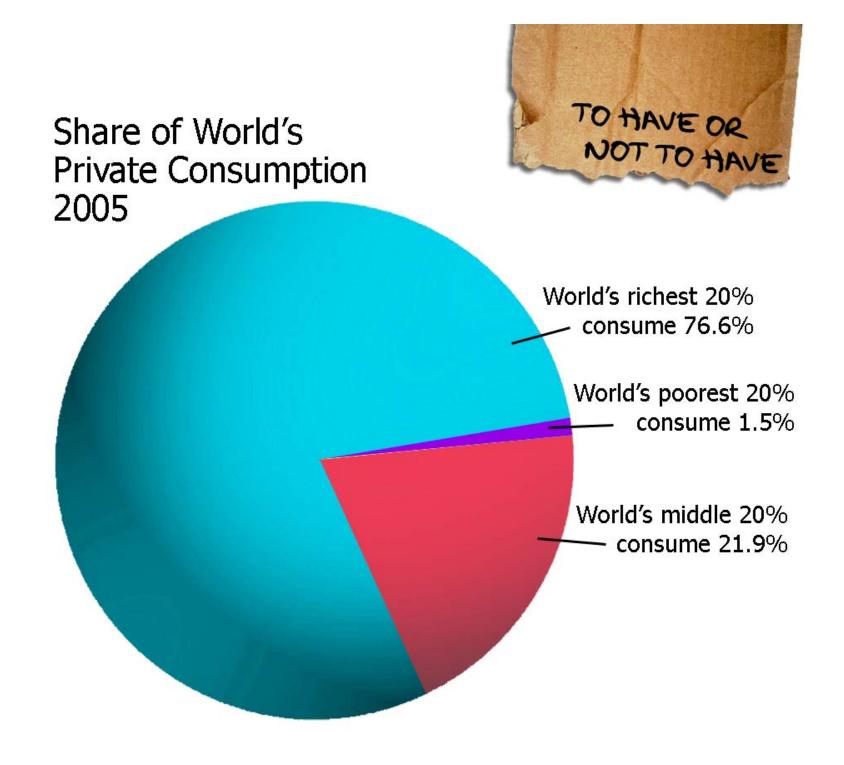


1,125 Billionaires hold more wealth than $\frac{1}{2}$ the world's adult population

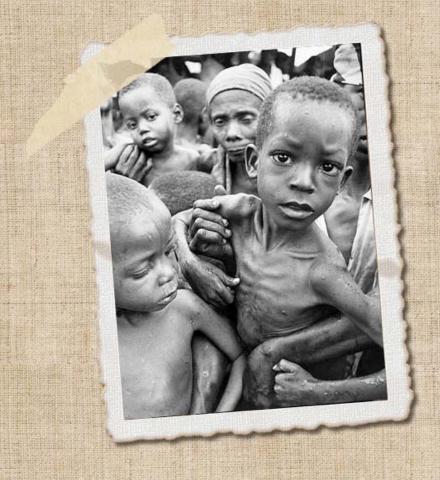












1 in 7 people in the world (854 million) do not have enough food to sustain them.



1.1 Billion people have inadequate access to water

2.6 billion lack basic sanitation

1/2 of all people in developing countries are suffering from problems caused by water-related diseases.

5 million die each year from those same issues.

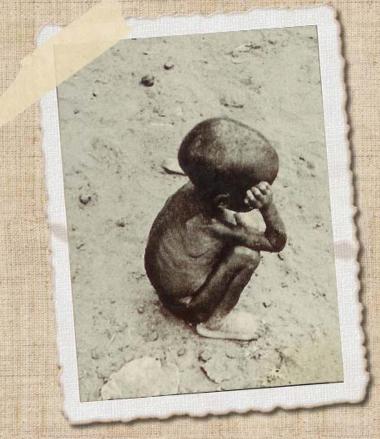


There are 2.2 billion children in the world.

1 billion live in poverty

1 in 4 children in developing countries are malnourished.

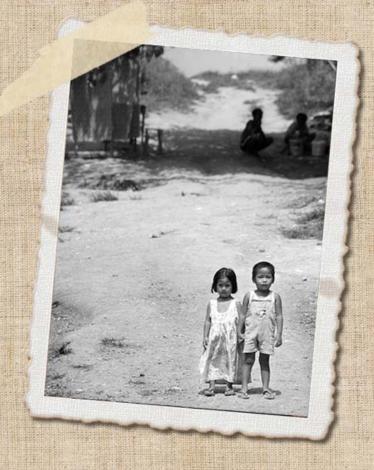
Every 5 seconds a child dies of malnutrition.



Close to 11 million children in developing countries die each year before the age of 5.

That's the entire child population of France, Germany, Greece & Italy... or roughly half the child

population under 5 in the U.S.



To compare:
in the U.S. and Europe
2 of 1000 children die before
age 5.

In Sierra Leone, 282 of 1000.

2.2 million children die each year because they are not properly immunized (preventable diseases like Malaria, Tuberculosis).

In 2008, the governments of the world spent \$1.2 trillion on their militaries (almost half of that was the U.S., which spent more than the next 46 countries combined)

By comparison, \$104 billion was spent on humanitarian

aid to developing countries.

This means that the world spent 12 times more on militaries than on assisting the poor!



5% of military spending could provide food, water, and shelter to the 1 billion people who live in "extreme poverty" (less than \$1 a day)





In 2007 the federal poverty threshold for a family with two parents and two children was \$20,700.

Poverty Line

12.5% of U.S. Population

13.1 million are children

In MN, 148,294 children lived in poverty. In Ramsey Co. 19.3% (or 23,031) of all children live in poverty. In Hennepin Co. it's 14.3% of the children.

U.S. Children in poverty (by race)

8% of white (non-Latino)

20% of Asian

26% of Hispanic or Latino

32% of American Indian

45% of African-American

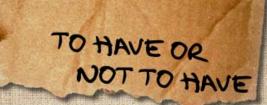
TO HAVE OR NOT TO HAVE



About 3/4 of MN families living TO HAVE OR in poverty in 2007 had one or both parents working full or part-time.

In 2007, 1/3 of full time job openings did not pay enough to keep a single parent above the poverty line.

Housing is deemed "affordable" if it requires 30% or less of a household's gross income. 64% of those living in at or below the poverty line pay at least percentage. Only 2% of families that make \$50,000 or more paid this percentage.



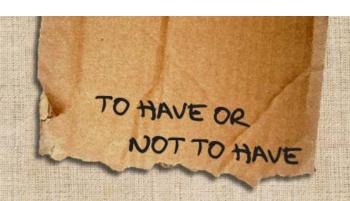


1 in 136 homes now in foreclosure

-425 homes in the U.S. foreclose every hour

-7 every minute

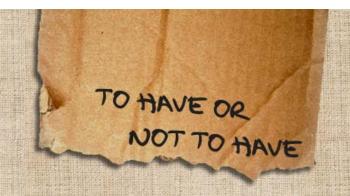
-2.2 million this year



I Timothy 6: 17

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.





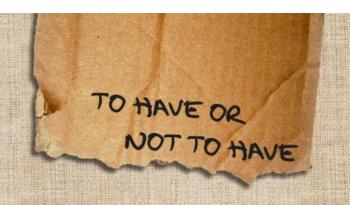
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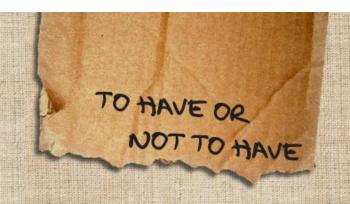
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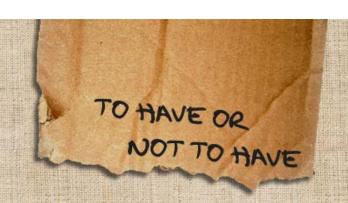
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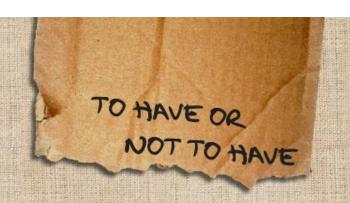




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If Jesus is hungry, thirsty, homeless, naked, sick and imprisoned, how are we ministering to him?

What are we doing to lay up treasure in the coming age?

