Making a country more equal doesn’t make it poorer

What does this mean?
Many people argue that making a country more equal also makes it poorer, stopping money going to the rich but not helping the poor. However, these figures show that across the world’s leading economies, the more unequal countries are no richer than the more equal ones. This suggests policy measures designed to make a society more equal will not make it poorer – instead, more equal countries are just as rich, but total incomes are shared more evenly between rich and poor.