

Study Guide

Sunday May 3, 2020

"The Secret of Contentment"

1. 1 Timothy 6:6-10

*But godliness with **contentment** is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be **content** with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the **love** of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.*

2. Points to Remember

- A. The simpler we keep our expectations the greater our enjoyment.
- B. Some of life's greatest pleasures come in the smallest packages.
- C. Prosperity comes from losing our dependence on worldly things.
- D. The secret is finding contentment in any circumstance.
- E. Happiness is not measured by what we have, but what we love.
- F. Jesus is the only thing in life we cannot live without.

3. Bible Verses

Psalms 119:165-166	Great peace have they which love thy law
Matthew 6:26-27	Look at the birds of the air
Psalms 37:10-11	The meek will inherit the land
Philippians 4:12-13	Content in every situation
Luke 16:13	No servant can serve two masters
Matthew 6:33-34	Seek first His Kingdom

4. Discussion Questions

- A. What is the simplest pleasure you have discovered during the shutdown?
- B. On a daily basis, how much pressure do you feel from finances?
- C. How have your devotional habits changed in the last few weeks?
- D. What difference has it made to have Jesus in your life?