

Sermon Title:

"The Believer and His Money"

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Sermon Text:

I Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19

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Introduction:

- Here in this passage Paul describes three different groups of people and their relationship to money:

1. *Those who* _____

2. *Those who* _____

3. *Those who* _____

- Following the order given in the text, today our attention is directed to . . .

I. Group #1 – Those Who _____ (6:6-8)

- In order to understand exactly what Paul is saying here, there are a few words that we need to take a closer look at:

○ **“godliness”** =

○ **“contentment”** =

○ **“great gain”** =

The Formula For Lasting Joy And Happiness

A consistent, authentic _____ with God + an _____ of satisfaction and _____ within = that which constitutes truly great _____!

- That which constitutes great wealth has absolutely nothing to do with _____!

- For those of us in this category, there are three things that we need to understand:

A. We need to understand that wealth does not _____! (v. 6)

“The bottom line is that money doesn’t satisfy! Material things lose their appeal!”

○ Ecclesiastes 5:10; Luke 12:15

○ **True contentment comes as the result of _____ in the _____, not _____ in the _____!**

○ ***The world is filled with* _____!** (Proverbs 27:20)

○ Psalm 63:1-5; 107:9; Isaiah 55:2; Hebrews 13:5; Philippians 4:11

B. We need to understand that wealth does not _____! (v. 7)

- Job 1:21; Ecclesiastes 5:15-16
- *In what two ways can the accumulation of wealth become a curse rather than a blessing?*
- Matthew 6:33
- **Consumerism is an _____ lifestyle!**
- Psalm 49:17; Proverbs 27:24; 23:4-5
- *When someone dies we always know the answer to at least one question . . .*

C. We need to understand that wealth is not _____! (v. 8)

“When we get right down to it, there are only a few things that are really necessary, and wealth isn’t one of them!”

- _____ **is the heart of the issue!**
- Too many of us know the _____ of everything and the _____ of nothing!

“Paul is not saying that it is wrong to have possessions; what he condemns is a self-indulgent desire for more that arises from a spirit of discontentment.”

- Proverbs 30:7-9

Conclusion:

- To those who aren’t rich, God says, “_____.”