

It may not be as complicated as you think. Spend some time in prayer. Ask the Lord where and how He wants you to invest. Surrender your greed (your god of 'mammon') and find contentment in Christ. Ask the Lord to help you. He will if we ask (Luke 11:9).



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\*“After that generation died, another generation grew up who did not acknowledge the LORD or remember the mighty things He had done for Israel” (Judges 2:10).

**Text: I Timothy 6:6-8, 17-19**

## The Plain Truth:

We find \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ, and a Holy Discontent in a \_\_\_\_\_ world.

- A. We need \_\_\_\_\_ participation to fulfill our mission. Nothing short of this is acceptable.
- B. So far our campus has \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in commitments, received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ from those who made commitments, and \$ \_\_\_\_\_ from those who didn't initially make a commitment.
- C. Fulfillment comes in \_\_\_\_\_ serving, \_\_\_\_\_ and loving others.

### One Year Bible Reading

October 21: Jeremiah 37:1-38:28, 1 Timothy 6:1-21, Psalm 89:38-52, Prov. 25:28  
October 22: Jeremiah 39:1-41:18, 2 Timothy 1:1-18, Ps. 90:1-91:16, Prov. 26:1-2  
October 23: Jeremiah 42:1-44:23, 2 Timothy 2:1-21, Psalm 92:1-93:5, Prov. 26:3-5  
October 24: Jeremiah 44:24-47:7, 2 Timothy 2:22-3:17, Ps. 94:1-23, Prov. 26:6-8  
October 25: Jeremiah 48:1-49:22, 2 Timothy 4:1-22, Ps. 95:1-96:13, Prov. 26:9-12  
October 26: Jeremiah 49:23-50:46, Titus 1:1-16, Psalm 97:1-98:9, Prov. 26:13-16  
October 27: Jeremiah 51:1-53, Titus 2:1-15, Psalm 99:1-9, Proverbs 26:17

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# Life Group Lesson

Week of October 21

1. Think of a time in your life when you experienced contentment, a deep satisfaction as a result of something you really enjoyed. Perhaps it was a really good meal with good company, or maybe a special vacation and time with family, or perhaps it is a sweet memory from childhood when things were good and you felt carefree and loved—share briefly with one another what your picture of contentment looks like.

Now, think of a time when you felt something was missing, and you lacked real contentment. Perhaps you sought to fill the void through excessive ‘pleasures’ but instead of feeling pleased, satisfied or content, you felt guilt and defeat. How can we help support one another in such times? What did you learn from that experience?

Learning to be content is hard, especially in difficult seasons. In a weak moment, we may find ourselves caught off-guard and overindulge in good things, causing reverse effects and feelings of discontentment. Whether it’s a desire for food, good times, shopping, acquiring wealth, personal achievements or even a spouse, we must keep our appetites in perspective.

Paul tells Timothy: “...we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can’t take anything with us when we leave it. So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content. But 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” (1 Timothy 6:7-10a). Mammon is the god of greed, and we can be ‘greedy’ for all kinds of things, not just money.

Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19

There are some deep longings of our hearts that will never be fulfilled in this lifetime. Childless couples, children being abandoned, and a life of singleness are some crosses we are called to bear. When we choose to search for fulfillment outside of Christ, we sin. And we offer ourselves to heavy consequences. There is no such

thing as secret sin that affects no one but ourselves. When we choose to look for contentment outside the will of Christ, we also open our loved ones to suffer the consequences of our choices.

2. As believers, how can we love on those who are bearing the responsibility of another person’s sin? How can we love each other through our sin, and mercifully hold one another accountable?

What makes you rich? Here are some things on my list:

Relationships  
Knowing Jesus  
Growing into maturity (diverse experiences along the way)  
Fellowship with other believers  
Opportunities to share our hope (the love of Christ) with others  
The privilege of worshiping our Lord (privately and corporately)  
Eternal life – citizenship in heaven

What is on your list? Write some things that make you ‘rich’ in the space below:

4. Every church should be a life-saving station. But sadly, most churches are museums. How can we do our part to make sure Christ Church (or where you attend actively) does not become a museum – not on your watch! – but becomes a life-saving station for the Lord Jesus Christ?
5. This weekend marks the one year anniversary of LEGACY 2:10. Close by reading together Judges 2:10\*. Christ died so that all people, and yes this rising generation, will experience God’s life-saving power. How you invest in this rising generation will either bring people closer to Christ or leave them out. What will it take for you to invest?