

The riches of contentment

1 Timothy 6:6-10

- I. True wealth: Contentment is the truest form of wealth (1 Timothy 6:6-8).
- A. A godliness that brings financial contentment is true wealth (6:6).
- We must measure success spiritually not financially (Luke 12:15-21).
- B. Contentment requires an eternal perspective of earthly wealth (6:7).
- Everyone leaves everything (Job 1:21; Ecclesiastes 5:15; Psalm 49:16-19).
- C. Contentment requires gratitude for the basics (6:8).

The path to contentment

1. Desiring contentment more than wealth (Proverbs 30:8)
2. Knowing God won't abandon me (Hebrews 13:5)
3. Resting in what God provides, through Christ's power (Philippians 4:12-13)

- II. True misery: Failure to be content will eventually bring you misery (1 Timothy 6:9-10).
- A. Those who long for wealth ruin things (6:9-10a).
- When wealth is our priority, we foolishly ruin the most valuable things in life (6:9).
 - Loving money is the root cause of many problems we cause (6:10a; Proverbs 15:27).
- B. Many Christians who long for wealth ruin themselves spiritually and emotionally (6:10).