



DISCUSSION GUIDE

THIS WEEK: The Secret To Contentment - I Timothy 6:6-10, Heb. 13:5-6

GETTING STARTED

Have you every bought something, believing that if you just had that, you'd be happy and content? How did it work out?

How would you define contentment? In light of your own experiences, what has been the key to finding contentment?

QUESTIONS FROM THE MESSAGE

- How have you experienced the truth of this statement; "Contentment does not come by adding to what you have, but by subtracting from what you desire"?
- How does Paul's view of contentment in I Timothy 6:6-8 align with the world's view of contentment?
- Why is it important to understand that contentment is not based on circumstances?
- Share about a time you've experienced God's overwhelming peace and presence in the midst of difficult circumstances. How did that lead you to contentment?

EXPLORE THE PASSAGES [I Timothy 6:6-10, Hebrews 13:5-6]

- How does godliness relate to contentment? (vs. 6)
- How is it possible for basic needs being met to bring contentment? (vs. 7-8)
- What does Paul tell us we need to be content? (vs. 8)
- How does God's presence relate to contentment? (Heb. 13:5-6)
- What does the longing to be rich lead to? (vs. 9)
- In what ways is the love of money a root of many evil things and what does it lead to? (vs. 10-11)

APPLICATION

- Think about Jesus' time on earth. How did He model contentment for us and what can we learn from Him?
- Why is greed and the love of money so dangerous? How have you seen or experienced this in your own life?
- What is an area in your life you are longing for and in need of contentment?
- What may God be asking you to change, do differently, repent of, pray about, as a result of engaging with this passage?