

Living Counter-Culturally

Series: Following Jesus: Biblical Life Management

1 Timothy 6:5-12 (0907)

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I. Contentment in a discontented world

a. Is what I'm being told really true?

b. What does God's Word tell me?

Luke 12:15 ¹⁵Then [Jesus] said to them, *"Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."*

1 Timothy 6:5-10 ...men of corrupt mind, who have been robbed of the truth and who think that godliness is a means to financial gain. ⁶But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. ⁹People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For 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.

II. Holy discontent in a complacent world

a. Is what I'm being told really true?

2 Timothy 4:3 NLT ³For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to right teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever they want to hear.

b. What does God's Word tell me?

1 Timothy 6:11-12 ¹¹But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.