

# Glenwood Baptist Church

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## Attitude Check

Lesson Five • 1Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19

### An Attitude of Contentment

#### Attitude Check: Replace a Covetous Attitude with an Attitude of Contentment

Contentment is a SATISFACTION with God's sufficient provision for my life.

*Give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that is needful for me,  
lest I be full and deny You and say, "Who is the LORD?" or lest I be poor  
and steal and profane the name of my God. Proverbs 30:8-9 ESV*

*For I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. Philippians 4:11 NIV*

*Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for He has said,  
"I will never leave you nor forsake you." Hebrews 13:5 ESV*

#### How to Put On the Attitude of Contentment

### 1. Focus On the PARTNER of Contentment!

#### Who Is Contentment's Partner?

Contentment's partner is GODLINESS.

*But godliness with contentment is great gain. 1Timothy 6:6*

#### God's Winning Equation for Joy:

Godliness + Contentment = Great GAIN

### 2. Follow the PATH of Contentment!

Step 1: Look to ETERNITY.

*For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.  
1Timothy 6:7*

Step 2: Let enough be ENOUGH.

*And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. 1Timothy 6:8*

Step 3: Learn by EXAMPLE.

*But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish  
and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. 1Timothy 6:9*

#### Danger, Danger, Danger!

- Danger of falling into sinful ENTRAPMENTS.
- Danger of giving in to harmful DESIRES.
- Danger of plunging into total DESTRUCTION.

### 3. Fulfill the PURPOSE of Contentment!

- Trust God and ENJOY what God gives you.

*Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in  
uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy.  
1Timothy 6:17*

- Do good and EMPLOY what God gives you.

*Let them do good that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share,  
storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they  
may lay hold on eternal life. 1Timothy 6:18-19*

#### Warning: Two Ugly Pictures

*For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith  
in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. 1Timothy 6:10*