

Sermon: *Be Devoted to Giving*
Series: *Fully Devoted*

Scripture: 1 Tim. 6:3-10;17-19
Date: January 19, 2019

OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1) What does this passage teach us about God?

Read Job 41:11 and 1:21. How do these scriptures help us to keep our possessions and money in right relationship to God?

From 1 Timothy 6 what would you say is God's view of money?

2) What does this passage teach us about us (mankind)?

What is the warning of v.9-10? How has the self-sufficiency of wealth been a snare to you?

Read v17. In what way have you set your hope on riches?

3) What does this passage teach us about salvation/grace? How does it point to Christ?

How are these two statements different: 1) "godliness is a means of gain" 2) "godliness with contentment is great gain?" What is the connection between contentment and grace?

In what way does giving and doing good with our time and money reflect a true understanding of the gospel? (Apply these gospel truths: a. Jesus gave up everything for us, and b) our value is found in Christ.)

APPLICATION

What is preventing your contentment? What mindset change needs to occur in order for you to be content (see Philippians 4:11-13).

How can you enjoy what God has given you this week? How can you share what God has given you this week?

PRAYER

Thank God for his provision in your life. Confess your lack of contentment and your self-sufficiency through wealth. Ask God to let his generosity in Christ make you generous.