

# PREACHING CURRICULUM



**SERMON TITLE:** A Sacred View of Money

**SCRIPTURE:** 1 Timothy 6:6-10

*But godliness with contentment is great gain...*

## 1 REVIEW THE SERMON

**Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10.** What is the “great gain” we receive when we pursue godliness with contentment? Why is contentment such a great blessing?

**In verse 7,** Paul refers to the fact that we brought nothing into this world when we’re born, and we cannot take anything with us when we die. How should this reality shape our perspective toward money and material possessions?

**See verses 9 and 10.** Is it wrong to want to be rich? Why or why not?

## 2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

How does the modern spirit of materialism and consumerism compare and contrast with the biblical perspective on money and possessions? In what ways might you have been influenced by the values and norms of our Western consumer-driven society?

In general, how content are you with what you have? Do you feel like you have enough, or are you constantly in pursuit of more? Why?

## 3 APPLY THE TRUTH

What is the difference between having an “ownership” mentality and a “stewardship” mentality toward one’s money and possessions? What would each of these approaches look like if they were lived out in someone’s life?

How does the Bible challenge our modern Western attitudes toward wealth and material possessions? What adjustments should we be making in our own thinking and behaviour in light of biblical truth?

## 4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

Practically speaking, what might it look like for you to act as a faithful steward of your money and material possessions this week?