

How Money Can Make You Happy



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Main Points

We all think more money will make us happy... but "more" always becomes just a little more.

God promises that money will make us happy... if we view it and use it correctly.

Money makes us happy when we give it away.

We are wealthier than we think.

Contentment: Enjoying what we have instead of worrying about what we don't have.

Money can't make us happy until we learn to be happy with whatever we have.

Contentment produces generosity.

Generosity is an investment in the life we truly want.

Generous people are happy people.

If money isn't making you happy, try giving more of it away.

"Show Notes" Resources & Links:

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Gatherings On Site: November 14th 4:30pm. Dinner + Music + Communion https://www.yourcrosscreek.com/gathering

Suggested Bible Readings:Philippians 4:10-20, 1 Timothy 6:6-10, James 1:17

Music we listened to making this episode: <u>Sad But True</u>- Mexican Institute of Sound <u>Making a Fire</u>- Foo Fighters Peace Piece- Bill Evans

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Message Passage

Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life.

This Week's Challenge:

- Read 1 Tim 6:17-19
- Look at your expenses for the last month
- Label: Needs, Enjoyment, Generosity
- Ask... Does my spending show contentment?

Discussion Questions

- 1. What's God doing in your life and world this week?
- 2. What's your reaction to this message? What questions, thoughts, insights, or rebuttals do you have?
- 3. Read 1 Tim 6:17-19, and either label your spending "needs/enjoyment/ generosity" or at least think about your usual spending habits. On a scale of 1-10* does your current spending show contentment? What do you think would change if you moved closer to a 10?
- 4. Who can your group be praying for this week?

(1= Scrooge McDuck / 10= Mother Teresa)

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