

Series: DOLLARS & SENSE

Title: Poisonous Discontent

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Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10, Philippians 4:11-13 to discuss these questions.

1. Why is loving money bad? Doesn't everyone want more? What examples biblical or otherwise, can you recall of how loving money derailed someone's life?
2. What are the signs that someone is having a love affair with money? Remember the tolerance effect. It blinds you to who you are. To what you have.
3. From the passages above how would you counsel someone to end that affair?
4. What is contentment? Where does it come from and how is it profitable?
5. It's pretty easy to know when your standard of living is too low; how do you know when it's too high?
6. Are prosperity or poverty signals of God's favor or disfavor?
7. Read Luke 12:22-34. What's the relationship between money and worry?
8. Describe the difference between making a living, and making a life? Why is money such a terrible master?
9. When it comes to not having enough money, what's the remedy for worrying?
10. Read Malachi 3:10. What is tithing? Is it valid for today? Why is important?
11. What did Kip and Linda learn from their financial struggles?
12. Which way do you like to tithe- cash, check, credit card, on the app etc.? and why is that?
13. What's the tithe test guarantee and why do we offer it?

14. "And do not seek what you will eat and what you will drink, and do not keep worrying. For all these things the nations of the world eagerly seek; but your Father knows that you need these things. But seek His kingdom, and these things will be added to you." Luke 12:29-30
15. "But seek His kingdom, and these things will be added to you. Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has chosen gladly to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to charity; make yourselves money belts which do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near nor moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Luke 12:30-34
16. Giving is not just a duty, it's at the heart of all we do.
17. Jesus is here to BE your life, not to get you things FOR your life.
18. It was an obedience issue.
19. "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and **test Me now in this**," says the Lord of hosts, "if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows." Malachi 3:10
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