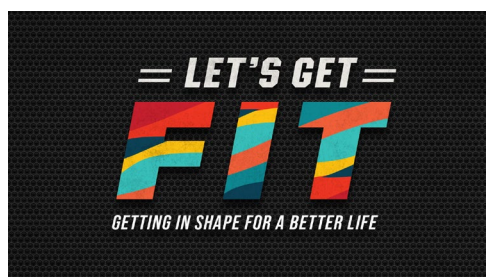


SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

FEBRUARY 20, 2022



ICEBREAKER

Take turns answering the following: When it comes to your finances, are you a saver or a spender? An *experience* or *things* person? A spontaneous or planned giver?

READ

Hebrews 13:5

QUESTIONS

How was money handled in your house when you were growing up? How has this impacted the way you feel about money?

What does it mean to be content? How can you measure your level of contentment?

READ

Matthew 6:25-33

QUESTIONS

How would you summarize Jesus' teaching on worry in the above passage?

How does "seeking first his kingdom and his righteousness" disarm the worry in your life? (When we prioritize our relationship with God then we come to understand his kingdom is an "other's first kingdom"; through our relationship with God we learn contentment; we put other's needs above our own, we trust God to meet our needs)

REA

1 Timothy 6:6-10 and Philippians 4:11-13

QUESTIONS

How is it possible that faith (trusting God) or your relationship with Him could provide you a pathway to contentment that stuff could not provide? (trusting God changes our perspective about our needs/wants, we begin to want what God wants, we learn contentment through our relationship with Him)

How do we maintain focus on the giver as opposed to the good gifts He provides? (put others first, turn our focus on opportunities, responsibilities, needs, desires, etc. to eternity, focus on the larger picture of eternity instead of the here and now)

Tell about an opportunity you had recently, or in the past where you were able to help someone. How did that experience impact your life?

QUESTIONS

Dean said, "One key to financial fitness, is the need for a financial plan." Do you agree or disagree? Why or why not?

How can you better steward what God has given you? What are some things you could do differently?

What steps can you take to improve your financial health this month?

PRAYER: How can this group pray for you this week?

Thank you, Lord, for your faithfulness and what you do through us and in us. We ask you to help us be content in You alone and to care about the things you care about. Help us be generous and bless others. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

LEADERS:

Rodeo season is here! Grab your group, friends, and family and join us on Saturday 2/26 and Sunday 2/27 for great music, rodeo food, Saturday petting zoo, and more!

Also, at our Richmond and Missouri City Campus, we are offering a 3-week class called Money Matters that begins March 9th. It will give you all the tools to build a budget that works for you. For those interested, you can learn more at rpc.me/groups.