


# THE BIBLE DOESN'T SAY THAT

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“ Money Is  
The Root  
Of All Evil ”

*For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows. 1 Timothy 6:10 (NLT)*

**1. Anything other than \_\_\_\_\_ will never \_\_\_\_\_ me.**

See Matthew 19:21-24

*Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless to think that wealth brings true happiness! The more you have, the more people come to help you spend it. So what good is wealth - except perhaps to watch it slip through your fingers! Ecclesiastes 5:10-11 (NLT)*

*The last and final word is this: Fear God. Do what he tells you. And that's it.  
Ecclesiastes 12:12-14*

**2. Discontentment makes \_\_\_\_\_ things the \_\_\_\_\_ of my attention.**


*So put to death the sinful, earthly things lurking within you. Have nothing to do with sexual immorality, impurity, lust, and evil desires. Don't be greedy, for a greedy person is an idolater, worshiping the things of this world. Colossians 3:5 (NLT)*

**3. I find true \_\_\_\_\_ when I rediscover \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus.**

*Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned how to be content with whatever I have. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength. Philippians 4:11-13 (NLT)*

*Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God. And when Christ, who is your life, is revealed to the whole world, you will share in all his glory. Colossians 3:1-4 (NLT)*

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## 1. Anything other than JESUS will never SATISFY me.

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## 2. Discontentment makes LESSER things the CENTER of my attention.

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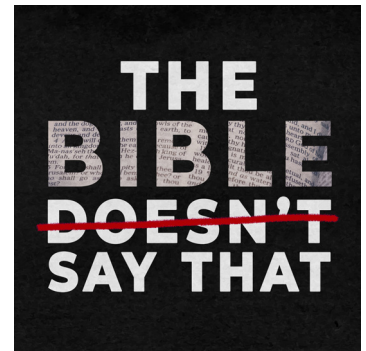
## 3. I find true LIFE when I rediscover CONTENTMENT in Jesus.

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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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WEEK 3

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Of All Evil”

### [CONNECT]

What is something you really really wanted when you were younger, and then when you got it, it just kind of lost it's appeal?

### [ENGAGE]

What impacted you the most personally from the message?

### [GROW]

What is the difference between “money is the root of all evil” and what the Bible really says in 1Timothy 6:10? Why are these differences so important?

The end of 1Timothy 6:10 says that those who pursue money above all else have “pierced themselves with many sorrows.” How does this make you feel? Have you ever made decisions or choices that pierced you with sorrow?

Read the story of the Rich Young Ruler in Matthew 19:16-26. Try to put yourself into the story looking back and forth between Jesus and this young man as they converse. What do you see in the young man's face? What do you see in Jesus' expression. What do you think Jesus wants for him? What do you think Jesus wants for you?

How hard is it for you to be content with what you have with the constant push for more in our culture? What do you do with Paul's words in Philippians 4:11-13?

Read the full passage from 1Timothy 6:6-10. What does Paul teach about contentment and true wealth? How do we transform our thinking and perspective to find true satisfaction and contentment in Jesus? See Colossians 3:1-4

### [LEAD (YOURSELF)]

Pay attention this week to your inner cravings. What is it that you want? What is it that seems lacking? Are there areas where you feel cheated or overlooked? Bring those to Jesus and be honest with Him. Let Jesus heal your cravings and lack with true fulfillment.