## "The Value of Now"

So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Matthew 6:34

1. Consider your \_\_\_\_\_\_,
but live in the \_\_\_\_\_\_.

(Jn. 2:9-11; Mt. 6:34)

2. Your life is not a series of \_\_\_\_\_\_ to be completed, but a host of \_\_\_\_\_ to be nurtured. (Lk. 2:52; Mt. 11:19)

3. Enjoy your life \_\_\_\_\_\_. (1 Tim.6:17)

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1. Look at each of the sermon points one-by-one and pick one to talk about for a few minutes with your group. Say why you picked THAT one to talk about.
- 2. People don't start out planning to be miserable in life, yet that is how way too many people end up. Why is that? What is the remedy? After you have discussed this a bit, look up Mt. 6:31-34 for some answers.
- 3. Look again at Mt. 6:31-34. In Jesus' day, food and clean drinking water were huge daily problems to be solved. If you were to rewrite this passage to fit your culture's worries, what would you put in place of "food and drink" that you are not to worry about, though you often do?
- 4. Read Jn. 2:1-11. Using your observation skills, what do you observe about how Jesus lived life? Why is this important for you and me to observe?
- 5. How often do you think people should think about the past? How often should they think about the present? And what about the future? How does one obtain a healthy balance in thinking about past, present, and future?
- 6. Read Luke 2:52. Based on Jesus' life we see the importance of growing in our relationships with God, self, and others. How does one do that?
- 7. If someone were to write a one sentence summary of your life based on how you are currently living, how do you think it would read? Are you content with that?

