



# MONSTER IN ME

## MONSTER IN ME, PART 1: FRIENDS WITH THE MONSTER

When is enough...enough? You take a little more each time, but you still don't feel satisfied. Enough always seems to be changing, doesn't it? Why is that? Maybe it's because you're friends with the monster. Understanding how the monster works is the first step toward containing it.

**BIG IDEA:** Feeding an appetite fuels it. Denying an appetite curbs it.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*\* Remember the goal is to use the questions to generate discussion, not to complete every one.*

1. Name one of your favorite things (or things to do) in life. Do you ever feel like you get 'enough' of it?
2. Of the five signs that you struggle with entitlement that Chris outlines in the message, which of the five (if any) hit close to home for you personally?
3. *With your Bible or Bible App, [read Ecclesiastes 5:10-11](#).*

*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 \(NLT\)](#)*

4. Have you ever seen the principle that 'those who love money will never have enough of it' at work in your life or the lives of other people? How does always wanting more affect a person's life?
5. Have you ever tried to satisfy an appetite by feeding it? How did that go for you?
6. Do you think a personal spending fast could help you curb your appetite?

### MOVING FORWARD

#### **#thanksnottings** Challenge:

#1: Make November about *Thanksgiving*, not *Things Getting*. This Thanksgiving, don't go shopping on Thursday. Stay at home with family. Be thankful for what you've got. THE BIGGEST LITMUS TESTS of entitlement is a lack of gratitude and thankfulness. It is called *Thanksgiving*, not *Things Getting*.

#2: Serve and be radically generous to someone who can't pay it back. Someone—probably outside your family—whom you could serve them or be radically generous. It may be serving at Manna Café or Radical Mission.

#3: [Invite someone to Thanksgiving around your table](#). Click the link to the left to invite someone at church to share thanksgiving with. Or if you don't have family here, we can connect you with a family at oneChurch.tv that you can celebrate thanksgiving.

### CHANGING YOUR MIND

*"Those who love money will never have enough."*

*Ecclesiastes 5:10 (NLT)*