



# Looking to Jesus

Part 55

"The Real Secret to



BEING  
content





Don't love money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never abandon you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me?"

Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be **content**. But people who long to be

**godliness + contentment = great wealth!**

foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. 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 6:6-10



**Love of money is the root . . .**

**Greed/materialism**

**Covetousness**

**Fear**

**Pride (self-importance, validation)**



**“Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.” Philippians 4:11-13**



**Content: (arkeo) To be strong! Independent  
of external circumstances.  
To be satisfied!**

**Contentment is the result of a fully-  
rational Christian worldview.  
Contentment empowers us to make  
clear-headed decisions according to  
(1) God's will and (2) our life mission!**



~~Discontentment~~

Contentment is the measure of the depth of our relationship with God.

**The remedies**

**Extravagant generosity**

**Learning contentment**

**Fully trusting God**

