

**Bethany Church**  
**Small Group Notes in 1 Timothy**

*Discovering Life in the Kingdom: Godliness in the Kingdom*

November 22, 2015

*As a group read **1 Timothy 6:3-10**. Don't feel pressure to answer all the questions. Talk through as many as possible and enjoy your time together.*

**Discuss - What stood out to you, challenged you, or encouraged you from Sunday's message?**

**Questions:**

- In **verses 3-5**, Paul writes that the motivation for the false teachers' godliness is personal gain. Why does this kind of godliness lead to bad fruit in our lives?
- Is there any part of your faith where you are doing something 'godly' to obtain something from God?
- In **verse 6**, Paul states that authentic godliness and contentment are great gain. How does your view of money affect your level of contentment in life?
- What are some warning signs of discontent?
- In **verse 8**, Paul tells us to be content with the basic necessities. Where does a Christian draw the line on luxury (having anything more than the bare necessities)?
- What material possessions do you worry about losing?
- In **verses 9-10**, Paul states that it's the consuming desire to be rich and the love of money that are the problem. How might chasing after riches keep us from pursuing God?
- In what ways are you guilty of loving money? How can you overcome this tendency?
- In **Matthew 6:19-21 and 33**, Jesus told us to lay up treasure in heaven and to seek first God's kingdom and righteousness. What are some practical ways we can do this?

**Pray together as a group**