

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM GUIDE

1 Timothy: Storing Up Treasure March 13 & March 16, 2025 Pastor Joby Martin

LEADER NOTES: Leading Well in 7 Minutes or Less - S3 E2: How to grow your group from nothing to something. Listen for free on Spotify or Apple.

Spring trimester: January 13 – May 12 **Summer trimester:** June 2 – July 28 **Fall trimester:** August 18 – December 8

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Secret Church - April 11, 7pm, San Pablo, \$15: The 1825 ministry is hosting, but the event is open to EVERYONE! Join us for a one-night, 6-hour intensive Bible study led by Pastor David Platt walking us through the Gospel of Matthew (via livestream). Click here for details and to register.

Local Mission Highlight: Serve the Homeless Community with our Local Mission Partners. <u>Click on our Local Mission link</u> to see the opportunities to make a difference in the lives of the impoverished in our area.

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN: Download our app for <u>Apple</u> or <u>Android</u>. Click the "Daily" icon at the bottom of the app for our daily Bible reading plan.

The Point: Do Good. Be rich in good works. Be generous and ready to share. Take hold of that which is truly life. Don't let chasing after money choke your life out.

Share Wins, Praises and Prayers: Where did you see God move this week? *What can you share from the action step last week?* How did it go? What did you learn about God? About yourself?

Sermon Text: Ecclesiastes 5:10; Matthew 6:24; 19:24; 1 Timothy 6:2-19

<u>Action Step</u> Choose one act of generosity and follow through with it this week. This could be through tithing, supporting someone in need, contributing to a cause that advances God's kingdom, giving of your time and talent, etc.

Discussion Questions

Leaders: The goal is to grow in our relationship with Christ and each other. *It's ok if you don't cover every question.*

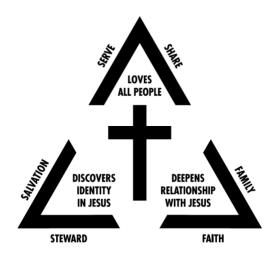
- Read 1 Timothy 6:2-19. What stood out to you in the sermon this week and what did God reveal to you in the Scriptures, maybe for the first time?
- Discover: Read 1 Timothy 6:6. Share a time you experienced godliness and contentment and what led to that. (God's desire is for you to find satisfaction in Him regardless of your material wealth.)
 Deepen: What are some practical ways you can cultivate godliness with contentment in your life this week? (Examine the areas in your life where you struggle to be content. How can you cultivate a heart of gratitude and trust in God's provision?)
- *Read 1 Timothy 6:10. How is this verse often misunderstood? (Money is not evil. It is neutral, a tool to be used. The LOVE of money is what leads to sinful idol worship. You're called to love God and people. You can use money to do that. The moment you begin to LOVE money you'll begin to use God and people.)
- How can you avoid becoming ensnared by the love of money? (What do you need to flee from and pursue? What practical steps can you take to take hold of the good life God has for us? See 1 Timothy 6:11-13.)
- Discover: Read 1 Timothy 6:17. How does this verse reveal God's character as a generous provider?
 Deepen: As image bearers of God, how does this truth shape the way you view your finances and material possessions?
- Read 1 Timothy 6:18-19. Share a time when you experienced joy in giving. (Is the way you are stewarding your money bringing contentment or anxiety? Peace or pride? Are you believing more is mine?) What specific actions can you take to invest in God's kingdom—through relationships, service or giving—so you can store up treasures in heaven and take hold of that which is truly life? (The closer you get to Jesus the more you'll enjoy what he enjoys.)
- Why are we called to do good works and store up treasure in heaven when we know we can't earn our salvation? (Your salvation is a free gift of grace from Jesus. However, out of the overflow of the love God gives you, you are called to love others. Following Jesus isn't anti-effort, it's anti-earning.)
- Discover: What fear is stopping you from fully trusting God with your finances? Deepen: How can you surrender that fear so you can experience His peace?

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