

# Satisfied?



## Part 3: Trapped

**We want God to give us more of what He knows can hurt us the most.**

### 1 Timothy 6

<sup>9</sup> Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

**When we get more we tend to be more careless.**

**More usually leads us to spend more, save less, and give less.**

<sup>11</sup> But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness."

### Today's Truth

**The only solution to greed and discontentment is giving.**

### Malachi 3

<sup>8</sup> "Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. "But you ask, 'How are we robbing you?' "In tithes and offerings. <sup>9</sup> You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. <sup>10</sup> Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

**Giving requires sacrifice.**

**Giving teaches us to be wise.**

**Giving builds our faith.**

**God uses our giving to change lives.**

## Group Guide

### Introduction

Everyone wishes that they could be rich. We often dream of what we would or could do if we just had more. But would you want to get rich if you knew it would bring you to ruin? Maybe the reason we are not rich is because God knows we couldn't handle it. Maybe we want more of something that God knows will hurt us the most.

### Discussion

Do you ever dream of being rich? What would you do first? In what ways would you plan to give money away?

### Read 1 Timothy 6:9

What temptations occur when we are focused on getting rich? What kind of trap do you think Paul is referring to? What foolish and harmful desires could plunge us into ruin?

### Read 1 Timothy 6:10

What kinds of evil come from the love of money? Why do we wander from the faith when we are most blessed? What "griefs" come when we wander from the faith?

### Read 1 Timothy 6:11

How can we pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness in the area of money and possessions?

### Read Malachi 3:8-10

Why do you think most Christians do not take this passage seriously? What are the consequences of this lack of giving?

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

*Your giving provides ministry that changes lives.*

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Giving Received:	\$9,881	\$419,521
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