



SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

“The Heart Bone’s Connected to the Wallet Bone”

Week 1 | October 22, 2017 | 1 Timothy 6:2b-18

1. Read the text. What are some themes that jump out at you? (Hopefully something related to money was one of them.)
2. Share an early life memory you have related to money (a gift, earning it, spending it, saving it...)
3. If you were to try to crystallize in a word or a phrase... what does money mean to you? (ex. security, freedom, enjoyment, responsibility...)
4. Read 6:6-10 again. Think of someone you know who is deeply content. What does contentment look like in that person, especially as it relates to material possessions and money? Do you want/long for “godliness with contentment”? Will food and clothing, verse 8, do the trick?
5. Verse 10 speaks of the love of money. How confident are you that you would know what that was if it was staring you in the face? Does it scare you at all that you might not know? Do Paul’s words here about money cause you pause, or is this simply addressing, you know, those other people?
6. Verse 11 talks about fleeing. What does the word “flee” communicate to you? Picture Joseph fleeing Potiphar’s wife and the temptation there. How are you at fleeing from temptation and sin? How are you at asking others to help you to flee or encouraging others to flee? Is fleeing only for another time in history? What have you fled from recently, for the sake of your soul?
7. Verse 17 says not to put your hope in wealth. Then it says to be rich...in good deeds, and generous and willing to share. How does that feel to you? Invigorating? A good challenge? Ho hum?
8. Why does Paul, and to a much greater extent, Jesus, spend so much time talking about money? Whom do you have to talk with about money? (What you do with it, how you feel about it, how much to give away, how much to keep, what to spend it on.) Does the way Jesus and Paul talk about it feel like it should be the private/personal matter that our culture and even the church models?