## **Freedom From Discontentment**

1 Timothy 6:3-10; 17-19 Pastor Phil Winfield January 4, 2009

## In coming weeks:

- Freedom: From negative debt to positive impact
- Freedom: From a hurtful past
- Freedom: From a harried present
- Freedom: From a haunted future
- Freedom: From a selfish and self centered life

## How to be free from discontentment:

- 1) **Know** what you've got and enjoy it verse 17
- 2) Want what you've got and don't spoil it—verses 6, 8 (also Matthew 6: 31-33)
- 3) Control what you want and avoid ruining it—verses 9-10 (also Matthew 6:24)
  - a) Living for your wants can bring destruction
  - b) Loving the wrong lord can bring damnation
- 4) **Share** what's extra and don't hoard it—verses 17-18
  - a) Failure will lead to pride
  - b) Failure will lead to **futile faith**
  - c) Failure will rob you of joy
- 5) **Send** something ahead and forget it—verse 19 (also Matthew 6:19-21)
- 6) Live for what last and you won't regret it—verse 7 (also Job 1:21; Ecclesiastes 5:15)

The antidote for greed is **contentment**