
SATAN'S FAVORITE LIES: LIE #4

Money Is The Key To Happiness

THE ANCIENT LIE

1 Timothy 6:17-19/ Proverbs 11:4 & Luke 12:15-31 & Psalm 49:7-13/ Ecclesiastes 5:10

- Our wealth is a measure of our _____.
- Our wealth is the source of our _____.
- Contentment is _____.

THE TRUTH ABOUT MONEY & HAPPINESS

What Does God Promise Us?

1 Timothy 6:5/ 2 Corinthians 11:23-28 & 2 Corinthians 4:15-18

✓ _____.

Finding Contentment

1 Timothy 6:6-8/ Philippians 4:11-13/ Hebrews 13:5-6 & 1 Chronicles 4:9-10

- ✓ Contentment = I can _____ – not I'm _____!
- ✓ Contentment is something we must _____.
- ✓ Contentment doesn't preclude _____.

The Three Key Gauges of Toxic Materialism

1 Timothy 6:9-10

- 1 My deepest and strongest _____.
Proverbs 28:19-20 & 22/ Luke 16:10-11/ Proverbs 19:22
- 2 The pattern of my _____.
Luke 16:10-14/ Lot's progression into Sodom (Genesis 13:5-13/ 14:11-12/ 19:1)
- 3 The level of my _____.
Ecclesiastes 5:10/ Proverbs 23:4-5

The Key to Victory

1 Timothy 6:11/ Matthew 6:31-33

- 1 Know what gives you the _____ and _____!

This week we're going to look at some individuals who bought into the lie that money is the key to happiness and one who didn't: **Lot** who hung out with **Abraham**, **Judas** the apostle who betrayed Jesus, and a **Rich Fool**.

Abram (Abraham) & Lot: Genesis 13:1-13 & Genesis 19:1-29

When disputes arose because of the abundance that Abraham and Lot had accumulated, Abraham took great care to favor his family relationship with Lot over his right to pick first. What does this decision to serve his nephew first indicate about Abraham's attitude toward money and possessions?

Lot chose the best land for himself, without concern for its proximity to Sodom. Looking back over your notes, what parts of this week's favorite lie of the enemy do you think Lot bought into? And, how does it strike you that he positioned himself so close to an area known for its wicked activity?

What are some criteria you think Lot should have considered that could have safeguarded himself & his family?

The Rich Fool: Luke 12:13-21

Instead of storing his crops in order to provide for himself – what are one or two decisions this man could have made that would have demonstrated a wiser outlook?

Consider for yourself the question God poses: "Who will get what you have prepared for yourself?" This passage makes it clear that it's ok to store up for ourselves – it becomes a problem when we exclude God from the picture. What is one way that you can be rich (generous) toward God this coming week?

Judas: Matthew 26:14-16 & Matthew 27:1-5

Larry pointed out that compromising relationships for financial gain and being eager to get rich are two telltale signs that someone's bought this favorite lie of the enemy. We see both of these telltale signs in Judas' betrayal of Jesus.

Judas tried to reverse his actions and the deal he had made. If you've ever made the mistake of preferring money over righteousness, pretend for a moment that you just received a "do over." What decisions would you make differently now that you are on the other side of the situation?