

*"But godliness with contentment is great gain." 1 Tim. 6:6*

Satan dangles the enticement of possessions in front of us to lure us from the contentment that comes from Holy living. The wealth of the whole world is not enough to satisfy the malcontent. If you're not content with what God has allowed you to be a steward of, then you'll not ever be



content with more. We need to stop and realize that the *"earth is the Lord's in the fullness thereof."* We know that our Father knows what we need before we ask, and can supply all our needs. If I don't have it, I don't need it. I may want it, because of the devil's enticement, but I don't need it. You say, *"I could do so much good with a million dollars!"* What are you doing with what you do have? Contentment comes from knowing that my Father *"owns the cattle on a thousand hills,"* and they are mine if I need them! I know I have everything I need to serve my Creator, and I will never lack for any resource. I simply need to *"go ask, Dad."* If I need it, He will give it. The reason we don't get what we ask for, many times, is because we've *"asked amiss."* We just wanted it, not needed it. *"But, I asked for someone else!"* Maybe they didn't need it. God has a plan for everyone and we all receive just what we need to accomplish the task designed for us. I can't assume to know God's plans for others. We pray for the healing of loved ones, and the sickness lingers, or perhaps even Death visits. We become angry and bitter and forget that *"all things work together for good"* for the children of The Most High. Even death is a victory for the child of God! If I'm content with what I have, then I'm the richest man alive! The best part is, there's still Heaven to look forward to!

*"And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness." 1 Tim. 6:8-11*

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