



# Apply It!

For the week of May 5, 2013

**Scripture:** *Hebrews 13:1-6, 1Timothy 6:6-10*      **“Avoiding Comparisons”**

**Big Idea:** “Godliness with contentment is great gain.”

1. What is your greatest ambition in life right now? What are you doing to pursue that goal? Is it possible that your pursuit is being fueled at all by comparing yourself to others?
2. Do you think it is possible to keep your life free from the love of money?
3. Read Philippians 4:10-13. Describe a time in your life when you felt the most contentment?
4. Do you currently have any areas of your life in which you are discontent (home, car, career, kids’ progress, etc.)?
5. Discuss the tension between contentment and pursuing progress and success. In other words, how do you remain content while also pursuing progress?
6. Read 1Timothy 6:9-10. Can you recall a time in your life when you fell into the trap of an unhealthy pursuit of riches? Do you feel that your pursuit of riches has been a “home wrecker?”
7. What is one action step you can take this week to increase your accumulation of contentment?

**Further study:** Ecclesiastes 4:6, Proverbs 14:30, Matthew 6:33, 2 Corinthians 12:10