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Living Content

A. Intro: When has your heart been consumed with wanting more?

B. Big Idea: Receive the Grace of God to keep your Heart at Rest

C. Scripture: 1 Timothy 6:6-10 NLT – [6] Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. [7] After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. [8] So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content. [9] But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. [10] For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.

D. How do we live with contentment?
   a. Recognize how Rich we are and where our Security lies
      i. John 14:6 NLT – [6] Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.
      ii. 1 Timothy 6:6-7 NLT – [6] Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. [7] After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it.
      iii. Psalm 24:1 NLT – [1] The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him.
      iv. 1 Timothy 6:7 NLT – [7] After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it.

   b. Choose to be Content
      i. Contentment – being at peace where you are.
      ii. 1 Timothy 6:8 NLT – [8] So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content.
      iii. Philippians 4:12-13 NIV – [12] I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. [13] I can do all this through him who gives me strength.
      iv. Matthew 6:25-27 NLT – [25] "That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life—whether you have enough food and drink, or enough clothes to wear. Isn't life more than food, and your body more than clothing? [26] Look at the birds. They don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them.

And aren't you far more valuable to him than they are? [27] Can all your worries add a single moment to your life?

c. Acknowledge the Destructiveness and Consequences of Greed
    i. 1 Timothy 6:9-10 NLT – [9] But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. [10] For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.
    ii. Hebrews 13:5 NLT – [5] Don't love money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never abandon you."

E. Close: Are you choosing to live with contentment?
    a. Next Steps
        i. Memorize: Philippians 4:13 NLT – [13] For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.
        ii. Think: What triggers my heart to entertain jealousy and comparison?
        iii. Action: Be thankful and rest in the grace God has for you in this season.