

HOW TO OVERCOME THE CURSE OF COVETOUSNESS

1 Timothy 6:5-10 • Part 2

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- According to God's Word, covetousness can cause a person to _____ in destruction.
- But this doesn't have to happen to the children of God if we understand that our identity is in Christ, not in our possessions.
- Paul shares with us another key principle in overcoming this deadly sin of covetousness.
- We must recognize that:

Our identity is in Christ, not in our possessions. vs. 5-6

Our true treasure is in _____, not on earth. vs. 7-8

- The Bible makes it clear—you will take _____ from this earth with you to heaven.
- If Christians are to truly understand that their identity is in Christ, then they must understand and follow the teaching of Colossians 3:1-2:
 - *“Seek those things which are _____.”*
 - *“Set your affection on things _____.”*
- Christians that are in love with Jesus understand that their true treasure is in heaven and not on earth, and when Jesus returns, they will lay _____ on their eternal treasure. 1 Timothy 6:19

- How do you live for eternity?
- 1 Timothy 6:17-18 teaches us how:
 - You cheerfully give and _____ the blessings He sends your way.
- As you use the resources God gives you to further the work of Christ on this earth and do good for others, it brings eternal _____ in heaven.
- *“Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.”*
Ephesians 6:8
- *“Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account.”*
Philippians 4:17

Covetousness is a snare, a trap. Like a black hole, it can suck you in.

But when you understand that your true treasure is in heaven and not on earth, and begin to live that way, it breaks the chains of covetousness, and brings _____.



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