

October 6, 2019
Miniseries: Ekklesia

1 Timothy 6:3-10

Title: Cancers in the Church

Big Point: The Cure for the Cancer of Corruption is Contentment

Outline

1. Open Your Eyes (Spiritual & Physical Needs)
2. Watch Your Heart (Craving Divisions, Possessions)
3. Give Your Lives (Proclaim Gospel as Good, Live like God is Gain!)

Questions:

1. In verse 3, what is Paul warning Timothy about regarding those who would desire to teach? What are the dangers of false teachers misusing the Word of God or teaching doctrines which are not supported by the whole of Scripture?
2. What does Paul indicate regarding the character traits of those who would teach false doctrine? Are there false teachers who exhibit other character traits?
3. Why would the false teacher crave controversy and quarrels? What happens when these controversies and quarrels proliferate within the church body?
4. What does Paul prescribe as the treatment for controversy and quarrels in the church?
5. What does Paul mean when he says, "Godliness with contentment is great gain?" What does contentment look like in the context of your personal life? What does it look like in the context of the corporate church body?
6. What does Paul give as the reasons that we should be content in verses 7 and 8? Why would the fact that we are not responsible for bringing anything into the world nor can we take anything out of the world be a source for contentment?
7. How is the love of money the root of all evil? How can the desire for earthly gain distract you from your heavenly purpose?