

## **Session 3**

### **Group discussion questions:**

1. This video addresses the issue of covetousness. This is not a commonly used term today. Based on Pastor Jason's teaching, how would you define it?
2. Covetousness is a heart sin that is addressed in the ten commandments. Practically speaking, In what ways does covetousness in our hearts battle against our personal contentment?
3. "Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. 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. So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content. 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. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered away from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows. 1 Timothy 6:6-10 NLT

What truths can you find in this passage that can help lead you out of always wanting more?

4. Pastor Jason names two actions we can take to break us free from covetousness and help us find contentment: create margin in our finances by budgeting and determining what is enough. Pastor Jason says, "The point of setting a limit is recognizing that we need a guardrail against constant lifestyle upgrades because we are going after joyful, grace-filled simplicity."

Discuss creating margin and deciding what is enough. In what ways will they enable you to find contentment?

5. Biblical stewardship is not a thriftiness competition. A move toward margin, limits and simplicity is not a set up for judging others or self-righteousness. In light of all this, why is a "poverty mindset" personally and in the plans of God's church contrary to scripture?

### **Personal Application:**

Honestly and prayerfully ask yourself, in what areas of my life, do I believe "if I had more, I'd be happy?"

Write down one area of your life where you think you believe this.