



Sermon Outline
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The Myth Of More

1 Timothy 6:6-10

***The Myth of More: If I have more, I will be happy, secure and _____.**

"This mantra of not enough carries the day and becomes a kind of default setting for our thinking about everything... (and) grows into the great justification for an unfulfilled life."
- Lynn Twist: *The Soul of Money*

The Myth of More is propagated by _____.

***Greed** = a very strong desire to continuously get more of something, especially _____.

1 Timothy 6:9 - Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.

Greed is "a bottomless pit which exhausts the person in an endless effort to satisfy the need without ever reaching satisfaction." - **Erich Seligmann Fromm**

Ecclesiastes 5:10 - Whoever loves money never has enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with their income. This too is meaningless.

*The Myth of More has a way of creating a sense of spiritual _____, which can cause one to give greater importance to material assets over spiritual matters.

Luke 12:15 - Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

Three stories that exemplify the myth of more:

1. A profusely profitable _____.

Luke 12:20 - But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?"

***More cannot insulate you from life's _____.**

2. A wildly wealthy _____.

Luke 18:23 - When he heard this (*sell everything you have and give it away and then follow Jesus*), he became very sad, because he was very wealthy.

***More earthly resources can distract from desiring more of _____.**

3. An extraordinarily extravagant _____.

Luke 21:3 - "Truly I tell you," He said, "this poor widow has put in more than all the others."

***More doesn't always _____ more.**

***Where might you be living from the belief that you don't have _____?**

2 Peter 1:3 - His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

***What we really need is not more of the creation but the _____.**

Philippians 3:7-9a - But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ and be found in him...

___ **Reminder** ___ **Readjustment** ___ **Revelation**