
FINDING YOUR PLACE IN THE WORLD





**Shine the light on
possessions**

Material possessions are good

...for serving

“do honest work with your hands, so that you may have something to share with anyone in need” (Eph. 4:28)

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³² All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. (Acts 4:32)

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...for worship

⁴ For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, ⁵ for it is made holy by the word of God and prayer. (1 Timothy 4:4–5)

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Material possessions are dangerous

**Possessions can become the source of
our self-worth and security.**



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Possessions can distract us to death



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Possessions can create pride

Sound the Warning

“Talk about the dangers of your possessions”

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See the decay in your stuff

“moth and rust destroy, thieves steal” (Matt. 6:19)



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Give things away

“¹⁸ Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. ¹⁹ In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.”
(1 Timothy 6:18–19)

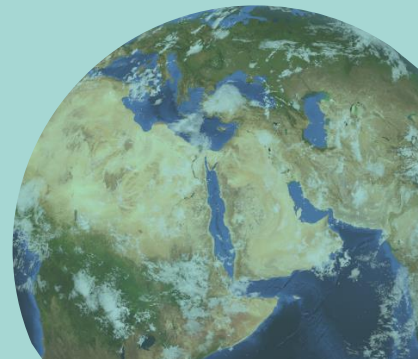
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Be happy with simplicity

“⁶ But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸ But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. (1 Timothy 6:6–8)

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Remember your mortality

“God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?’” (Luke 12:20)

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Love the Giver More

¹⁵ Do not love the world or the things in the world.
If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is
not in him. (1 John 2:15)

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your
heart and with all your soul and with all your mind
and You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”
(Matthew 22:37–39)

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