

CONTENTMENT IN JESUS

INTRODUCTION

Brandon, a student of mine, took a trip to Belize this past summer. When he came back, he was excited about what he had seen. He saw children that were happy, even though they did not have ANY of the comforts of life our children enjoy. Indoor plumbing, fancy clothes, excellent schools, all of these were missing from their lives, and yet the people were not sad about their situation. They continued to be rather upbeat about life, and worked toward sustaining what they had. They were content.

Memory Verse: Psalm 37:16 A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked.

BIBLE LESSON

Having contentment is knowing that God has supplied the needs in our lives, and letting go of our covetous nature. Our abundant life has little to do with the things we possess, but has everything to do with our relationship with Jesus. This lesson explores contentment in one's life from different viewpoints.

It is a good thing to be content. I Timothy 6:6-12.

Being content has its basis in the commandments of God. Exodus 20:17,

Being satisfied by God's grace even in suffering is contentment. 2 Corinthians 12:7-9

Yahweh will satisfy when you give to your gifts to him. 2 Corinthians 9:6-11, Malachi 3: 10-12

APPLICATION

Look at two examples of contentment: 2 Samuel 19:33-38, and 2 Kings 4:1-13. How did these two show their contentment?

How do we stay content in this world? Reread I Timothy 6:10-112 for possible answers.