



Sermon Discussion Guide

Heart Check: Press On

Week 5: Investing

1 Timothy 6:10-14 | November 1, 2020

Big Idea

As we face the uncertainties of life, the Bible calls us to stand firmly upon our Good Confession to maintain a steady faith.

Opening Questions

Do you have any amusing stories of a time you misinterpreted a situation? What happened?

Key Scripture Questions

1. During the sermon, we learned that circumstances can potentially erode our faith. How have difficult circumstances impacted your faith? How different is your attitude during a trial as opposed to after?
2. God's timing is often different than ours. While we're looking at our watches, God is looking at the calendar. Why are God's responses usually not instant? How can we develop more patience in waiting on His timing?
3. Read **1 Timothy 6:12**. The Good Confession serves as a solid foundation through all circumstances. How has your faith in Christ help you to weather storms? How can we remind ourselves to stand firm in the Gospel when things go wrong?
4. Read **1 Timothy 6:10**. The love of money can distract us from our faith. Why is money such a stumbling block? In what ways has this sermon series helped you surrender your finances to God?
5. Read **Matthew 6:19-20**. Our ultimate reward is found in eternity. How does having a focus on eternal treasure reframe our attitude about earthly treasure? What kind of treasure do you think is waiting for you in heaven?

Concluding Questions

We were challenged to give *thoughtfully*, *voluntarily*, and *cheerfully*. Why are all three of these attitudes important when giving? Does your giving typically come from this approach or from obligation? How can you make the shift to a new attitude of giving?

Application Questions

1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
2. What is something God wants you to do now?
3. Beyond prayer for each other, is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?

Prayer Time

"Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for being the solid foundation upon which we can firmly stand through any storm. Please help us to focus on the Good Confession in all circumstances. Amen."