



# Sure Thing

## Week 1 – Great Gain

### Study Guide

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Let's face it: We live in a society of excess, leftovers, options, and endless upgrades. The struggle to “keep up” is real and the line between “needs” and “wants” gets fuzzy. How do we navigate the temptation to “get more” even though we may not “need more”? In reality, what we're searching for really isn't a longer boat, a bigger house, or a nicer car. We are searching for one thing: *contentment*.

1. Describe something you really wanted and how it made you feel when you got it.

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“For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.” – 1 Timothy 6:10 (ESV)

2. **Read 1 Timothy 6:9-10.** Where have you seen this “desire to be rich” play out, either in your own life or in someone else's?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What causes discontentment in your life?

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“I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.” – Philippians 4:12 (ESV)

4. **Read Philippians 4:11-13.** In these verses Paul claims to have *learned* the secret to contentment. What is this secret and how does this compare to *our* idea of contentment?

5. What is one step you can take this week to be more content? How can the group help you achieve this?