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Topic: The Church in Order: Economics 101

Scripture text: 1 Timothy 6:3-10

1. The Bible teaching of Economics 101 for every believer is "Godliness with contentment is great gain". The teaching of false teachers is the opposite in which gain (material riches) is godliness.

- 2. We are not to follow false teachers to pursue material riches and rebel against authority. A true believer will submit to authority and follow the wholesome words of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3. The right biblical principle is to live a godly life which is to be like God in His holiness, love, justice and truth. We are to be contented as we know that we brought nothing into this world and will carry nothing out when we depart from this world. Nothing on this earth will last for eternity.
- 4. We must learn to be contented with food and raiment that God provides for us daily. Do not be envious of those who are rich. There is nothing wrong with money but riches can bring many temptations and a snare. Hence we need to be on guard lest we depend on our riches and not on God.
- 5. The Bible tells us that the love of money is the root of all evil. It affects rich and poor people. Many who fall into this sin ended up with many sorrows and err from the faith. Let us take heed.