

4. The general answer is given in 11:16-35 and has at least these components:
 - a. Step 1--spiritual help
 - b. Step 2--an abundant supply
 - c. Step 3--an unappreciated overkill

C. Application:

1. Be honest about circumstances and Devine dealings
2. Be thankful
3. Be satisfied

D. And in the New Testament...pointed application

1 Pet 4:11 Heb 13:5 1 Tim 6:6-8

E. Conclusion: God cares for His people and in their contentment they show their care for God. But note these fairly important caveats:

1. Contentment is not indolence
2. Contentment is not self-gratification
3. Contentment is not greed

It is, in fact, satisfaction, occupation, and advancement of the testimony of the Lord.

VII. Lesson # 6: Honor Authority: Numbers 12

A Introduction:

- 1-2 1. Blaming authority has often been a way of easing and/or justifying our trials.
2. The Divine pattern is one of authority...we need to see it in the complex of life
3. The Biblical setting in our text...well, troubled thoughts among the people.

B. Authority challenged and maintained

2. Personal
government state or church
1 Pet 13
Heb 13