



**Finding Satisfaction**  
**August 23, 2020**  
**Sermon Discussion Guide**

This message looks at one of the foundational doctrines of the Christian faith: How Jesus' life and sacrificial death make it possible for us to have eternal meaning and purpose in this life as well as eternal life! The first half of the sermon looks at Jesus' difficult teaching in John 6 on His flesh and blood. Jesus was going to literally sacrifice His physical life for us on the Cross in order that we might have a fulfilling, personal relationship with God. However, as He was explaining how His sacrifice is applied to our lives we must understand He was talking figuratively, not literally, spiritually, not physically. The magnitude and impact of what He was teaching is life changing! The second half of the message looks at four ways people seek to find satisfaction in life outside of a personal relationship with God through Jesus, which you will find in your readings this week.

Prosperity - Matthew 19:16-23

Pleasure (Partying) - Luke 15:11-16

Piety - Luke 18:9-14

Position - Mark 10:33-45

### **HIGHLIGHT**

- **Read the Texts**
- **Look for Highlights** - As the text is read, tell the group to be looking out for the highlights (a particular verse, something new learned, a reminder, a question, etc.)

### **EXPLAIN**

- To whom was it originally written? Why?
- How does it fit with the verses before and after it?
- What is the Holy Spirit intending to communicate through this text?

### **APPLY**

- What does this mean today?
- What is God saying to you personally?
- How can you apply this message to your life?

### **RESPOND**

- In what ways does this passage call you to action?
- How will you be different because of what you've learned?
- What is a prayer to God in response to what you read today?