

## **The Art of Being Content**

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- 1. What are some of the ways that our lives change after we trust in Jesus as our personal Savior?
- 2. Why did Paul want people to see that he was the worst of sinners before following Jesus?
- 3. How should we understand Paul's support for slaves respecting their masters? How was slavery in his day often different than what we think of today?
- 4. We can understand 1 Timothy 6:1-2 as depicting the employment relationship for many, if not most, of the people involved in the early church. What do these verses teach us about how Christian employees should behave at work?

<sup>4</sup> Anyone who teaches something different is arrogant and lacks understanding. Such a person has an unhealthy desire to quibble over the meaning of words. This stirs up arguments ending in jealousy, division, slander, and evil suspicions. <sup>5</sup> These people always cause trouble. Their minds are corrupt, and they have turned their backs on the truth. To them, a show of godliness is just a way to become wealthy.

## 1 Timothy 6:4-5

5. If you turn these negative traits around into positive attributes, what traits would Paul commend in believers?