

Lessons From The Laid Back Messiah About “Stuff”

Mark 6:30-32 The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves.

John 2:1-2. On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

“We are hyper-living, skimming along on the surface of life.” *David Zach*

“The characteristic mood of our time: a baffled sense of drift.” *Christopher Lasch*

Matt. 6:25, 31-33. Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?... For it is the Gentiles [people who don't know God] who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

1. Life Not Found in Striving For “Stuff”

2. Trust God To Supply The “Stuff” You Need

1Tim. 5:8 And whoever does not provide for relatives, and especially for family members, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

3. The Kingdom is About Everything

- **Are you enslaved to our cultural addiction to “stuff”?**
- **Do you own “stuff”, or does it own you?**
- **Are you trusting God to provide the “stuff” you need?**
- **Are you living the Kingdom in terms of your “down time” and your relationships?**