

Simplicity:

Creating Space for What Matters Most

Third week in the Advent series: Things of Earth

We live in a culture that tells us that happiness comes from the stuff we buy and the experiences that we have. According to Jesus, that's not the way life works. If we are going to experience abundant life in Jesus, we need to learn to cut out much of what is unnecessary in our lives to create space for what matters most.

Discussion Questions:

1. Do you feel that your life is full? What is it full of? What occupies the most of your time, energy, and attention?
2. Jesus tells us to seek first the kingdom of God. In what ways are you doing this? What are ways in which you struggle to do this?
3. Does the way you spend your time and money reflect what you deem most important in life? Does your schedule and budget reflect the inward reality that you are seeking God's kingdom first?
4. How much margin to you have in your schedule? How could you create more space in your schedule?
5. How might simplicity play out in your spending habits to free you to be more generous?