

**Looking Up: The Faith Factor** Finding the Good Life

1. We are striving for this reality, this dream that is in the future that, if only our circumstances will \_\_\_\_\_, *then* our lives will be "good"
2. The Good Life seems more a distant dream rather than a reachable goal
3. God intends for the goodness in our lives to be so much more than a distant \_\_\_\_\_, but one reason so many people miss this is because of their perspective
4. What is the good life?
5. We think life will be \_\_\_\_\_ when we get more money, when we have more power, and when we are healthier; but not necessarily
  - a. say you get healthier; deep down, if you are honest with yourself, would that truly be enough to make you happy and bring you to the place of peace and contentment in your soul?
  - b. say you get more power? Would that truly make you happy?
  - c. say you gain great wealth? Are you certain you would be satisfied?
6. When will \_\_\_\_\_, be good enough for you?
7. Materially speaking, for most people, good never seems to be good enough
8. If you hope a "worldly thing or any material possession" will usher in the good life for you, reality is that it simply won't happen, *unless* you are spiritually \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. If the circuit is grounded, you should be fine when handling electricity
    - 1) you can enjoy the energy; use the energy, and allow it to help you have a better life
  - b. if you *don't* ground your circuit, then just 1 slip-up, just 1 mistake, and quite literally, it could kill you
  - c. What if the material things and desires in our lives are not properly grounded?
9. The real problem is when you put your faith in the power of those \_\_\_\_\_ to lead you to the good life, rather than God.
10. To find the Good Life, the first step is to look \_\_\_\_\_, to engage the faith factor
11. Phil 4:11 "I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I find myself. Whether I have needs, or whether I have plenty. Whether I am well fed or hungry, whether living with abundance or in want. I have learned the secret of being content in any and all situations. For I can do everything through Him who gives me strength." Or, I have learned the secret of being content in any and all situations, and I can do this, when I am fully grounded in God.
12. What would it take for you to be content, to experience the Good Life, even in your present circumstances, *today*?

1. change 3. dream 5. better 6. good 8. grounded 9. things 10. upward