

7/29/18 | At the Movies: Part Five

"What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?" —Matthew 16:26 | NIV



DISCUSSION

1. Which do you prioritize the most, your job, family, health, hobby, entertainment, or something else? Is it right? Why or why not?
2. Which points from the sermon stuck out to you? Why?
3. What about the movie stuck out to you the most? Why?
4. The book of Ecclesiastes records King Solomon's search for contentment in a world where he had everything at his fingertips. Read the following passages and write down insights about the pursuit of contentment:

Ecclesiastes 2:1-11 (ESV)

Ecclesiastes 4:4-8 (ESV)

Ecclesiastes 5:10-16 (ESV)

Is there one verse in particular that jumped off the page to you the most? How can that verse help you with contentment?

5. Read Philippians 2:4. Did P. T. Barnum follow this advice? If so, when? If not, how would it have changed him? If you followed this advice, how could it change you?
6. According to 2 Corinthians 5:15, why should we live for Christ instead of for ourselves?
7. Have you personally seen someone do a "180 turn" in attitude,

living for themselves and then suddenly living for the Lord? What was that like? What happened?

8. Read Ephesians 4:20-24 and 2 Corinthians 5:17-21. What happened to your “old self”? Who receives a “new self”? What happened to your sin? How does God see you now? How does this transformation affect your actions and attitude?
9. What made P. T. Barnum’s attitude change? How did his family see him differently?
10. Read Romans 3:21-24, 27-28. How can we be justified before God? What makes us change? Romans 6:22-23 describes our 180. What were we like before being freed from sin? What are we like after being saved?
11. Do you need a change in attitude like P. T. Barnum? Have you had an eternal change in salvation to follow God?

TAKE AWAY

What is your “FROM NOW ON” decision?