

## 6 Ways to Simplify: Shed Some Stuff May 21 | Matt Anderson

## WARM UP

- 1. What was your most prized possession growing up?
- 2. What stood out to you in this week's message?

## DIG IN

- 3. What are some of the signs that we have too much stuff, and how does this actually cause pain?
- 4. How would you evaluate your relationship with possessions. Do you feel you have too much to store, enjoy, and manage, just the right amount, or too little? Why?
- 5. Read I Timothy 6:6-10. Why is contentment with godliness "gain" if we have less?
- 6. Verse 7 reminds us that we enter and leave the world without possessions. What is does this say about our fundamental identity? How can that truth shape the way we live in between birth and death?

## **DIGGING DEEPER (EXTRA CREDIT!)**

- 7. The love of money is described as a "temptation and a trap" (v. 9) and as "the root of all kinds of evil" (v. 10). What is the trap or danger associated with longing for wealth and abundance?
- 8. Read Mark 4:19. Describe why these "thorns" choke God's word as He plants it in us? How can we prevent that from happening?
- 8. Is there a space in your life or home that needs to be simplified? When will you start building the 3 piles there (must keep, goodbye, and maybe)?



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Stuff adds up
Signs I have too much
Tiny House Nation
Timothy 6:6-10
Gaining by Losing?
Who am I?
Mark 4:19 (Thorns)
Jesus calls possessions because
Loving stuff causes us and
Start with 1  1— 2— 3— 4—
Start with 1: God