



**Fat and Happy**  
*Deuteronomy 6:10-15*

**Introduction:**

*What happens when we become "fat and happy?"*

**1. We forget to be \_\_\_\_\_**

-Context:

-Applications:

**2. We forget to \_\_\_\_\_ upon God**

-Context:

-Applications:

**3. We begin to worship other \_\_\_\_\_**

-Context:

-Applications:

**Big Idea:** Investing in God's work \_\_\_\_\_  
us from \_\_\_\_\_

**Applications:**

**Acts 2:42 Community Group  
Study Questions**

**Day One**

Read: 1 Samuel 5  
Discuss: *Who or what was Dagon?*  
Learn: Psalm 1:1-4  
Praise: Salvation  
Pray: Missionaries

**Day Two**

Read: John 6:22-40  
Discuss: *Compare the different breads in this passage.*  
Learn: Psalm 1:1-4  
Praise: An attribute of God  
Pray: Salvation of others

**Day Three**

Read: John 6:41-71  
Discuss: *Verses 53-55*  
Learn: Psalm 1:1-2  
Praise: God's creation  
Pray: Pastors and church ministries

**Day Four**

Read: Psalm 73  
Discuss:  
Learn: Psalm 1:1-4  
Praise: God's provision  
Pray: Government and military

**Day Five**

Read: Revelation 18  
Discuss:  
Learn: Psalm 1:1-4  
Praise: An attribute of God  
Pray: Friends and family

For the week of January 15, 2012

**Getting Started:**

1. One thing I bought and now regret is...

6. Why do you think many people view giving to a local church as a financial liability rather than investment?

**Into the Bible:**

Study through the history of how God provided the promised land for Israel and write down any insights from the following passages.

Joshua 11:13

Joshua 24:11-16

Nehemiah 9:24-26

7. What does it take for people to make the shift in view from liability or expense to investment?

2. How did Israelites initially respond to the blessing of God?

8. How does being financially invested in something guard against complacency?

3. What was the eventual outcome despite God's blessing?

9. What opportunities from the Pastors' list intrigued you the most? What else would you add to the list at Willow Creek if finances permitted it?

**Prayer:**

**Application:**

4. We worship the things that satisfy us. How do our financial priorities reveal those things that we worship?



5. What reasons do people give for not giving besides lack of money?