



Discussion Questions: Find the podcast episodes for *Desiring God: Meditations of a Christian Hedonist* at <https://wellwornpages.substack.com>.

<p><i>Season 1 Episode 5</i></p> <p><i>Intro, 1 & 2, Appendix</i></p>	<p>Piper asks: Would you want to go to heaven if God were not there — only His gifts? Are you pursuing God Himself, or the life, peace, and blessings that come from Him? Where do you find your joy — and is that the same as finding it in God?</p>
<p><i>Season 1 Episode 6</i></p> <p><i>Chapters 3 & 4</i></p>	<p>Christy and Lori made a distinction that's worth sitting with: joy and fun are not the same thing. Piper says don't assume there's no joy in what's harsh and difficult. Where in your life right now is God asking you to choose the hard way — and what would it look like to find joy there?</p>
<p><i>Season 1 Episode 7</i></p> <p><i>Chapters 5 & 6</i></p>	<p>Piper's image of the wartime walkie-talkie versus the civilian intercom is hard to shake. If you're honest, which one better describes how you've been using prayer lately — a direct line for real spiritual warfare, or a request line for things you want? What would it look like this week to use prayer as a walkie-talkie?</p>
<p><i>Season 1 Episode 8</i></p> <p><i>Chapters 7 & 8</i></p>	<p>Christy and Lori both said their view of money has changed as they've grown. How has your relationship with money changed over the years — and if you're honest, what does the way you spend and give reveal about where your heart actually is?</p>

Season 1 Episode 9

Chapters 9 & 10

Piper says how we suffer is itself a witness. The Romanian pastor asked: how many people are not saved because we won't accept the cross? Think of a time you suffered — illness, loss, conflict. Looking back, did the way you walked through it point others toward God? What would you do differently?

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Lori's Favorite Quote:

Speaking about the Sword of the Spirit:
"If we don't wear it, we can't wield it.
But if we do wear it, if it lives within us
— what mighty warriors we can be."

--John Piper, *Desiring God*, 151

Christy's Favorite Quote:

"Missions is the automatic outflow and overflow of love for Christ. We delight to enlarge our joy in him by extending it to others."

--John Piper, *Desiring God*, 254

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