***Series: Soul Search***

***Today: It’s a Good Thing to Enjoy***

***Speaker: Ronnie Norman, Senior Minister***

***Photo of my grandchildren that I will send***

***Video of chimpanzees from the series What’s Keeping You and the message on greed. I***

***Ecclesiastes 5:10-20 (NLT)***

***10****Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless to think that wealth brings true happiness!****11****The more you have, the more people come to help you spend it. So what good is wealth—except perhaps to watch it slip through your fingers!*

***12****People who work hard sleep well, whether they eat little or much. But the rich seldom get a good night’s sleep.*

***16****And this, too, is a very serious problem. People leave this world no better off than when they came. All their hard work is for nothing—like working for the wind.****17****Throughout their lives, they live under a cloud—frustrated, discouraged, and angry.*

***18****Even so, I have noticed one thing, at least, that is good. It is good for people to eat, drink, and enjoy their work under the sun during the short life God has given them, and to accept their lot in life.****19****And it is a good thing to receive wealth from God and the good health to enjoy it. To enjoy your work and accept your lot in life—this is indeed a gift from God.****20****God keeps such people so busy enjoying life that they take no time to brood over the past.*

**Five Beliefs That Can Make a Big Difference**

BELIEF #1: All I Have Comes from God.

BELIEF #2: I Live Joyfully Within God’s Current Provision for My Life.

BELIEF #3: I Honor God by Giving the First Tenth of All My Earnings to His Purposes in the World.

BELIEF #4: I Set Aside a Portion of All My Earnings into a Savings Account for Emergencies, Giving Opportunities, and My Later Years.

BELIEF #5: I Live Each Day with an Open Ear toward Heaven, Eager to Respond to Any Whisper from God regarding My Resources.