

Can't Get No Satisfaction? (1 Thessalonians 3:12-13)

Introduction: *The #1 rock & roll song of all time?*

- I. WHERE DO YOU FIND REAL SATISFACTION?
 - A. It is a gift from Almighty God (1 Thess. 3:12-13)
 - B. Yet, the lyrics of that 1965 song sums up the last 45 years of our lives:
 - C. *“And I tried, and I tried, and I tried...”*

- II. OUR SEARCH FOR SATISFACTION LEADS US DOWN THREE PATHS (Gal. 5:19-21; John 16:33)
 - A. Some people are obsessed with **happiness**
 - B. If happiness doesn't work then perhaps **thrills**
 - C. Then perhaps, **pleasure**
 - D. None of these work; **we can't get no satisfaction!**
 - E. *It is like pouring water into a vegetable strainer...*

- III. THE TRUTH IS THIS: GOD'S GIFTS REALLY SATISFY
 - A. Here's a “Christmas list” of God's satisfying gifts for you...
 - B. The end result is *the joy of the Lord* – **true & lasting satisfaction**
 - C. This is satisfaction without all happiness, thrills, & pleasures

Conclusion: *“The world didn't give it & the world can't take it away!”*