Emotional Resources—Their Conservation and Expenditure *Skip Gray*

- I. Introduction.
 - A. We must be diligent to know the state of our flock. (Proverbs 27:23)
 - B. We seek total well being. (I Thessalonians 5:23)
- II. The conservation of emotional resources.
 - A. We are to enjoy all things. (I Timothy 6:17, Acts 14:17)
 - 1. If we have something, the Lord wants us to enjoy it.
 - 2. We should enjoy our activities also, such as work and recreation.
 - 3. We should enjoy our relationships.
 - B. We conserve our emotional resources so that we can pour out our energy towards others.
- III. People demand our resources so we must be careful spending it. (II Corinthians 11:28, Colossians 2:1-2)
 - A. Our struggle is to give others courage.
 - B. Our struggle is for the unity of others.
 - C. Our struggle is also to help others experience the sufficiency of Jesus.
- IV. Suggestions.
 - A. Make sure you and those around you really enjoy your possessions. (I Timothy 6:17)
 - B. Make sure that you pour out your resources into people.

Application questions:

1. How would you respond to someone who says that having fun is a waste of time?

2. How do you charge your emotional "batteries?" Explain.	
3. What is the goal of emotional "conservation?"	