

The Unwavering Man - Part 2
Anchored to Jesus
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Philippians 4:1–9 (NIV)

¹Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends! ²I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. ⁹Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

1. The Unwavering Man doesn't let conflict divide him - he is grounded in the Lord and sees past the current conflict. (1-3; Colossians 3:12-14)

*Sometimes it doesn't matter who is right.
Winning the argument isn't worth losing the relationship.*

2. The Unwavering Man isn't controlled by his circumstances, rather he trusts the Lord and adjusts his attitude. (4-7; Habakkuk 3:17-19)

*Happiness is a byproduct of what's around us,
but joy is a byproduct of Who's around us.*

3. The Unwavering Man disciplines his mind and chooses every day to live with a positive outlook on life. (vs. 8; 2 Cor. 10:3-5; Romans 8:28)

*"Not every thought that enters your mind deserves a place in your mind."
"Whatever happens, God is still good, God is still with me, God is still in control,
and God will work it out for good!"*

4. The Unwavering Man practices what he preaches. (vs. 9; James 1:22-25)

*"Knowledge of God that doesn't transform your life is worthless."
See it! Hear It! Receive It! Learn It! Practice It!
The unwavering man isn't unwavering because nothing around him moves.
He's unwavering because the One he's anchored to doesn't move!*