



August 20, 2023 | Pastor Keith Krell
Philippians 4:10-23 | "Money in the Bank"

Sermon Application Review from Phil 4:1-9

How did you pray for peace in a specific relational conflict?

How did you give thanks for the person with whom you are in conflict?

Scripture References

Philippians 4:10-23

1 Timothy 6:6-9

Hebrews 13:5-6

James 4:2-4

Matthew 6:19-21; 10:42; 19:21

Mark 10:29-30; 12:41-44

2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 9:6-8

Study Questions

1. What evidence in your life reveals contentment with what God has entrusted to you (4:11-13)? When have you enjoyed the greatest degree of contentment? Why was this particular time so satisfying? What situations provoke the most discontentment in you? How can you "learn" to be content in all your circumstances (4:11)? How has God's power made a difference in your contentment (4:13)? How is contentment tied to the doctrine of God's sovereignty in your daily life?
2. Who do you know that is suffering some kind of "affliction" right now (4:14)? In what way can you "share with" them (4:15) in that affliction by an act of generosity and thoughtfulness?
3. How has your financial giving helped you grow spiritually (4:17)? How are you investing heavily in your ERA (Eternal Retirement Account)? What excuses have you made to justify your lack of giving? Who will hold you accountable to sacrificial and cheerful giving?
4. How have you come to believe that giving is an act of worship (4:18)? What does this look like in your life? How have you explained to your children, grandchildren, and disciples the importance of worshiping God through giving? In what specific ways has God supplied all your financial needs (4:19)?
5. How do the concluding themes of worship (4:20), fellowship (4:21-22), and gracious enablement (4:23) contribute to the purpose of Philippians? How will you specifically encourage others to implement these themes in their individual and corporate lives? What passage in Philippians has been the most memorable for you? Where have you been most encouraged or challenged?

Recommended Reading

Jeremiah Burroughs, *The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment* (public domain)

Randy Alcorn, *Money, Possessions, & Eternity* (Tyndale, [1989] 2003).

Verlyn D. Verbrugge & Keith R. Krell, *Paul & Money* (Zondervan, 2015)