

SERMON NOTES

STABILITY IN CHRIST

Philippians 4:4–9



BIG IDEA: When difficult circumstances threaten to overwhelm us, God gives us everything we need to remain stable in Christ.

APPLICATION GUIDE

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DISCUSS

What are some ways that the world copes with the sometimes overwhelming difficulties of life?

We all experience circumstances at times that may threaten to steal our joy in Christ. What are some “joy stealers” that we may regularly face in life?

When we look at the life of Christ, we often see Jesus waiving his rights and modeling graciousness and humility. What are some examples of this in the gospels?

How should we as believers respond to the temptation to be anxious (Matthew 6:25–32)? In what ways should the character of God comfort us in those moments?

APPLY

What are some life circumstances that could threaten to overwhelm you? How do you typically respond when you feel overwhelmed?

Does resting in God and going to Him in prayer mean that our life circumstances will become easier? What biblical examples support your answer?

How can an attitude of thankfulness transform the way you experience the difficulties of life?

What does it mean to “think rightly”? How are you cultivating right thinking in your own life? (Philippians 4:8)

COMMIT

Thank God this week for how he is using the the difficult circumstances in your life to make you more like Christ.