

# Seventeen Reasons for Fact-Based Joy: A Study In Philippians

## *Reason 17: The Joy of Financial Contentment*

Philippians 4:10–13

The Lord's Day Morning

March 1, 2020

In expressing his gratitude for the financial gift he has received from the church at Philippi, he wants to diplomatically remind them that the gospel is not for sale and that he does not preach the gospel for the money. He does not use his circumstances as an opportunity to extract more money from them. Rather he uses his circumstances as an opportunity to teach them the principle of contentment. The “secret” of contentment is a secret that any believer can learn. It requires these three actions:

1. D \_\_\_\_\_ “needs” from “wants” to simplify your lifestyle (10,11).
2. D \_\_\_\_\_ God's providence in adversity and prosperity (12).
3. D \_\_\_\_\_ on Christ to supply all that you need to know, love, obey, and exalt him (13).