

Title: LEARN TO BE CONTENT

Main Scripture: Philippians 4:10-13

Additional Scriptures to study:

Luke 3:7-14 Hebrews 13:5-6

1 Timothy 6:6-10

"I have learned to be content."

- Contentment is very personal.
- Contentment is something we need to learn.

"I can do all this through Him who gives me strength."

• Jesus is our source of contentment.

May 18 & 19, 2024 Speaker: Greg Mulligan

Reflection

Where do I need to grow in contentment? Could it be ...

- the home in which I live?
- the vehicle I drive?
- the wardrobe in my closet?
- the wage or salary I receive?

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Jesus, what do You want to say to me, right now, about this?



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The Small Group Sermon Study

Prayer: Father God, thank You for Your love and care for us. We pray that You will lead this time by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Please guide us in the ways of Jesus and lead our discussion today. In Jesus' name, amen.

Icebreaker: Talk about a favorite commercial or advertisement that stuck out to you. Why did it stick out? What was the "promise" that the commercial or advertisement was making?

Read Philippians 4:10-13 together. Before jumping into discussion, ask the Holy Spirit if there is anything He wants to bring to mind as you begin. Then take a couple of moments of silence to listen.

- Share any thoughts or questions that came to mind as you were silently listening to what the Holy Spirit gave to you. What stood out from the passage and the sermon?
- How would you define "biblical stewardship" in your own words?
- Share about how you have developed your ideas on how to handle money and resources. Give an example of how this is lived out in your life.
- Pastor Greg talked about the lack of contentment in his own life. Where does the lack of contentment show up the most in your life? Why do you think that lack of contentment shows up that way for you?
- Pastor Greg said, "Joy in me triggers joy in you. It makes me wonder how much more impact we would have in the world today for the sake of the gospel, if we who follow Jesus actually lived in a state of joy and shared it with others much more than we tend to do!" Why do you think living in a state of joy and sharing that joy with others is so important? How do you see this relating to biblical stewardship?

Personal Reflection:

The apostle Paul says, "I have learned to be content." It is good for us to take a <u>contentment audit</u>. Where do I need to grow in contentment? Could it be ...

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Prayer: Take some time to pray for one another about this.