

ACCOMPLICES of GRACE Philippians 4: 10-23



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OBSERVE & REFLECT

READ Philippians 4:10-23.

Reflect on the sermon from the weekend regarding this passage. What aspects or truths from the sermon left an impression on you and why?

INVESTIGATE & APPLY

- Q.What is your personal experience with Contentment?
- Q.Was Thomas Edison right in his quote? "Restlessness is discontent and discontent is the first necessity of progress. Show me a thoroughly satisfied man and I will show you a failure." What is your response from a Biblical perspective?
- Q.What are some of the secrets that Paul learned regarding contentment?
- Q.Paul learned how to not get depressed, angry, bitter, discouraged, murmur or complain when he was brought to the LOWEST OF LOWS. Paul also learned how to not get proud, arrogant, demanding, controlling, demeaning, abusive or self exalted when he experienced the HIGHEST of HIGHS. Which one of these two areas are the most difficult for you?
- Q. Verse 19 say's "And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus". How do you define needs? What are your needs today?

As you go about your week Loving God, Serving Others and Sharing your Story. Let this prayer be a model for your heart.

Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; Courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time; enjoying one moment at a time; Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace; taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it; trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His Will; that I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him forever in the next. Amen. Reinhold Niebuhr (1892-1971)

NEXT STEPS

Action Step: As the body of Christ, lets continue to learn, practice and apply the truths of scripture and grow in our contentment and trust in God's provision for our lives.

Memory Verse: Philippians 4:19