

WOMEN OF FAITH, PRACTICING INTEGRITY, AND LIVING IN CHRIST

New Testament Unit - Living In Christ - *Truly Content* - Nov. 19, 2017

Text: Philippians 4:10-13, 1 Timothy 6: 1-10, 2 Peter 1:1-4

Intro: One of the great mysteries of Christianity is contentment. At least one must presume it is a mystery, because so few people _____ it! Contentment is not something that's found; it is an A _____! In our society and in the church, what are some ways we see a lack of contentment?

EIGHT SPIRITUAL GUIDELINES FOR CONTENTMENT

1. Establish a reasonable S _____ of living. (Pro.3:9, Luke 14:28-30, Luke 12:15)
2. Establish a habit of G _____. (2 Co.9:6-8, Pro.11:25, Luke 6:38)
3. Establish P _____. (Matt.6:31-33, Luke 12:32-34, Luke 10:38-42)
4. Develop a A _____ of G _____. (Psa.9:1, 2 Cor.4:15, Phil.4:6-7)
5. Reject a spirit of F _____. (2 Tim.1:7, Ro. 8:15,26) *Courage has 2 discouraging words: W _____ I _____!
6. Seek God's W _____ for your life. (Ro.8:27-28, 12:1-2)
7. Stand up to F _____. (Josh.1:3-9, Psa.27:1, 56:3-4, Phil.4:13)
8. Trust God's P _____. (Psa.37:5, 46:1, Ro.8:37-39, 2 Pet.1:3-4)

I. Philippians 4:10-13 Paul's Reliance On The Provision of Christ

1. (4:10) God provided for Paul through C _____ B _____!

What did the church at Philippi renewed/revived towards Paul?

2. (4:11-12) God provided for Paul through Paul's C _____!

Paul had learned to be content in _____ situations. Read 2 Cor. 6:1-13. What does Paul say about his situations in life? How was his outlook?

II. 1 Timothy 6:1-10 Contentment Through Christian Living

1. (6:1-2) What do these passages say about contentment?
2. (6:3-5) How does Paul describe those that do not agree with Christ's teaching?
3. (6:6-10) How is godliness with contentment a "great gain"?

III. 2 Peter 1:1-11 Contentment Through Our Knowledge of God

1. (1:1-4) How did the recipients of Peter's letter obtain their faith of "equal standing/like precious faith"?

What did their knowledge help them obtain?

What has His divine power granted to us? What is the result of those promises?

2. (1:5-11) What should we "supplement our faith" with. List and define each. Collectively, how would they help us be content?