

# This Is The Life (The Book of Philippians) Completely Content In Christ

Philippians 4:10-13

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## Bottom Line:

Contentment is fertile soil for life-changing joy. We as believers are to find our ultimate fulfillment and satisfaction in our lives through our relationship with Christ.

## Contentment 101: Contentment comes as I learn to celebrate

God's \_\_\_\_\_. Philippians 4:10

A. Contentment is contrary to the desires of our fallen  
\_\_\_\_\_. James 4:1-3

## "Contentment" defined:

Being satisfied, thankful, and joyful in what you have through Christ with no complaining or \_\_\_\_\_ for more. It is closely associated with the ability to accept and withstand all circumstances of life.

Contentment isn't the fulfillment of what you \_\_\_\_\_, it's the realization of what you already \_\_\_\_\_!

B. Contentment is contrary to the values of our fallen  
\_\_\_\_\_. 1 Timothy 6:6-10

## Contentment 201: Contentment comes as we develop realistic

\_\_\_\_\_ of others. Philippians 4:10

## Contentment 301: Contentment comes as I learn to be

\_\_\_\_\_ in all circumstances.  
Philippians 4:11-12

## Contentment 401: Contentment comes as I find my \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ. Philippians 4:13; Hebrews 13:5

A. Paul does not say "I can't" = language of \_\_\_\_\_/  
Discouragement.

B. Paul does not say "I can" = language of \_\_\_\_\_.

C. Paul does say "I can...through Christ" = language of  
\_\_\_\_\_.

## Now What?

1. Joyfully \_\_\_\_\_ God daily for His provision.
2. Consistently count your blessings!
3. Dogmatically reject \_\_\_\_\_ yourselves with others!
4. Positively engage with life today!
5. Proactively take steps to better yourself and \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Faithfully meditate on the truths of God's Word.