

PHILIPPIANS
The Benefits of Contentment
Philippians 4:10-14

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1. The life of the Apostle Paul is an example of the fact that when one is content the disappointments of life will not _____ them.

a. _____ problems.

“There is more comfort even in the grace of contentment than there is in any possessions whatsoever; a man has more comfort in being content without a thing, than he can have in the thing that he in a discontented way desires.” - Jeremiah Burroughs

b. _____ illnesses and injuries.

c. Undesired singleness.

d. Memories of a _____ past.

e. Vocational problems.

f. Opposition from _____.

g. Rejection from _____.

2. When one is content they will be able to more easily _____ many temptations.

*“The devil loves to fish in troubled waters. ... If you would free yourselves from temptations, labor for contentment. It is the peace of God that guards the soul from temptation.”
- Jeremiah Burroughs*

a. The contented person will not be absorbed in _____.

b. The contented person will not _____ to get something they really want.

c. The contented person will not be _____, bitter, or resentful.

3. When one is content they have come to see that knowing Christ has surpassing _____ in comparison to anything else.

“Jesus Christ, God’s perfect Son, is the Beloved of the Father, the Song of the angels, the Logic of creation, the great Mystery of godliness, the bottomless Spring of life, comfort and joy. We were made to find our satisfaction, our heart’s _____, in Him.” - Michael Reeves