

**PHILIPPIANS**

**How To Acquire Contentment, pt. 2**  
**Philippians 4:11-13**

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**1. To acquire contentment, think often about God's**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **work.**

- a. The providence of God extends to \_\_\_\_\_ detail.
  
- b. God providentially causes an infinite variety of circumstances to work together in an \_\_\_\_\_ way.
  
- c. There are common ways that God providentially \_\_\_\_\_ His people.
  - 1) \_\_\_\_\_ are to be expected.
  - 2) Great comforts are often preceded by great \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 3) God causes what is \_\_\_\_\_ to work for the good of His people.

**2. To acquire contentment, be consciously**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **for God's mercies.**

- a. Acknowledge the great \_\_\_\_\_ of what you have been given.

*"We must learn to live by the realization that whatever our situation might be, it is far \_\_\_\_\_ than what we deserve." - Jerry Bridges*

- b. Do not allow your thoughts and observations about a trial to \_\_\_\_\_ the mercies of God.

**3. To acquire contentment, continue to \_\_\_\_\_**  
**out the Christian faith as God has directed in His**  
**Word regardless of the circumstances.**

- a. In all circumstances, believers are called to be \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord.
  
- b. When contentment seems hard to attain, consider what \_\_\_\_\_ issues might be in the way and confess them to the Lord.
  
- c. Walk by \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord.