



Part 19: Joyful Life Lessons

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All scriptures are printed verbatim with translations noted.

REVIEW

The Path To Peace

A Focused Mind

A Fruitful Life

A Freeing Presence

Study Verse Section

Philippians 4:10-13 (ESV)-**I rejoiced** (χαίρω) **in the Lord** notice the *direct object* **greatly** (μεγάλως) *mega*; **that now at length** (ποτέ) *at last* **you have revived** (ἀναθάλλω) *word picture: bloom* **your concern** (φρονέω) *think on*, **for me. You were indeed concerned** (φρονέω) **for me, but you had no opportunity.** (ἀκαιρέομαι) *wasn't the right time* **Not that I am speaking of being in need** (ὕστερησις) *want; poverty.* **For I have learned** (μανθάνω) *ongoing cumulative process* **in whatever situation** (ὅς) *whatever* **I am to be content.** (αὐτάρκης) *self sufficient* **I know** (οἶδα) *understand* **how to be brought low** (ταπεινώω) *made humble* **and I know how to abound.** (περισσεύω) *exceedingly more* **In any and every circumstance** (ἐν παντί καὶ ἐν πᾶσιν) *every and all* **I have learned the secret** (μυέω) *been initiated* **of facing plenty** (χορτάζω) *be filled or full* **and hunger, abundance** (περισσεύω) **and need.** (ὕστερέω) *lacking; fall short* **I can do all things through him who strengthens** (ἐνδυναμώω) *to give ability; infuses me.*

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Life Lessons From Paul

1. CONTENTMENT IS LEARNED

Philippians 4:11 (ESV)- Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content.

1 Timothy 6:6-8 (ESV)- But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.

Hebrews 13:5 (ESV)-Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have...

Contentment does not equal laziness.

2. LIFE IS COMPLEX

Philippians 4:12 (ESV)-I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-4 (ESV)-For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

3. THE SECRET IS DEPENDENCE

Philippians 4:13 (ESV)- I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

2 Peter 1:3 (ESV)-His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence,

When I have plenty I depend on Him.

When I am in need I depend on Him.

Hebrews 13:5-6 (ESV)-Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

Here Is The Question: Am I content?