

WEEK 9: THE SECRET TO BEING HAPPY IN ANY & EVERY SITUATION

JEREMY BELL, TEACHING PASTOR

PHILIPPIANS 4:10-23 (NIV)

I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. 11 I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. 12 I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. 13 I can do all this through him who gives me strength. 14 Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. 15 Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; 16 for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. 17 Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. 18 I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. 19 And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. 20 To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen. 21 Greet all God's people in Christ Jesus. The brothers and sisters who are with me send greetings. 22 All God's people here send you greetings, especially those who belong to Caesar's household. 23 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

NOTES

(THE STUFF THAT STICKS OUT TO ME)





GOING DEEPER

(SOME IDEAS TO PUT IT INTO PRACTICE)

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

Roger defines joy as "a pervasive sense of well-being." What are some things that steal your joy? Read Philippians 4:10-23. What words or phrases stick out to you? Why?

What is Paul's secret to being content in every situation? Where does his strength come from? (v.13)

Why is Paul excited about how the Philippians have been generous and provided for him? (v.17) How does God feel about their generosity? (v.18) What promise is there when we are generous with what God has given us? (v.19)

2 Corinthians 9:7 says God loves a "cheerful giver." Should you be generous even if you aren't cheerful? Explain your reasons.

A VERSE TO MEMORIZE:

Philippians 4:13 (GNT) - I have the strength to face all conditions by the power that Christ gives me.

TAKE A STEP:

Where in your life could you take a step towards being more generous? What would it look like to take a step of faith and trust God to "meet all your needs?" What's stopping you?





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GENERAL OFFERING

2023 Weekly Budget: \$10,187 Given July 30th: \$7,624 Difference: (\$2,563)

 2023 Annual Budget:
 \$529,724

 2023 Budget YTD:
 \$305,610

 2023 Given YTD:
 \$270,045

 Difference:
 (\$35,565)

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BYC July 30th: \$1,316 BYC YTD: \$70,644 BYC Total Given: \$393,136

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