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## “FULL AND OVERFLOWING”

“EXPERIENCING AND EXPRESSING THE GENEROSITY OF GOD”

*Paul’s Final Words of Encouragement to the Church at Philippi*

### PART 3

#### “ARE YOU FULL?”

*“Learning to Be Fully Satisfied with Christ Alone”*

*(Philippians 4:10-20)*

#### INTRODUCTION:

*“For he satisfies the longing soul,  
and the hungry soul he fills with good things. (ESV)*

— Psalm 107:9

#### OVERVIEW OF AND BACKGROUND TO THE BOOK OF PHILIPPIANS:

*“Joy for the Journey: Experiencing the Firstfruits of our Heavenly Citizenship”*

- Learning to **sing** in the midst of **suffering**: Three affirmations which marked the life of Paul and provided the basis for his remarkable joy:

1. God **led** me here. (Acts 16:6-12)
2. God **is with** me here. (Acts 16:19-27)
3. God **can use** me here. (Acts 16:13-18, 28-40)

#### REVIEW: JOY BREAKERS (4:2-9)

*“Restoring the Flow of Christ’s Joy in Your Life” (Philippians 4:2-9)*

1. Joy Breaker #1: **Disharmony** in the **Body**. (4:2,3)
2. Joy Breaker #2: **Anxiety** in the **Heart**. (4:5-7)
3. Joy Breaker #3: **Impurity** in the **Mind**. (4:8, 9)

#### THE UNFOLDING OF A DEFINITION: CONTENTMENT IS...

##### 1A. ...A MARK OF \_\_\_\_\_ ... (4:10-14)

*“...I have learned to be content... ...I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need.”*

— Philippians 4:11, 12

- \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_ should govern our lives.

*“But **godliness** actually is a means of great gain when accompanied by contentment. For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. **If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.**”*

—1 Timothy 6:6-8

2A. ...EVIDENCED BY A \_\_\_\_\_ ... (4:10, 18)

*"But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned before, but you lacked opportunity.*

*... But I have received everything in full, and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God."*

— Philippians 4:10, 18

3A. ...REGARDLESS OF \_\_\_\_\_ ... (4:11, 12)

*"...I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. ...in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need."*

— Philippians 4:11, 12

4A. ...WHICH IS POSSIBLE BECAUSE JESUS CHRIST HAS BECOME OUR \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_. (4:13, 19)

*"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me."*

— Philippians 4:13

*"And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."*

— Philippians 4:19

CONCLUSION:

•Contentment is evidenced by a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, an \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

*"For I satisfy the weary ones and refresh everyone who languishes."*

— Jeremiah 31:25