

MESSAGE NOTES

"Generous" series

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"The Gift of Contentment"

Crossroads Christian Church

Philippians 4:10-20

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In Philippians 4, Paul says he learned the secret of contentment:

- Resist _____.
2 Corinthians 10:12; Proverbs 14:30
- Rejoice in what I _____.
Ecclesiastes 6:9; Hebrews 13:5
- Trust _____.
Philippians 4:12-13; 1 Timothy 6:17

Two questions to ask yourself:

1. Is God in _____?
2. Is God _____?

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of November 3, 2024

1. How would you define contentment? What is an area in your life where you struggle to find contentment?

2. The message mentioned the elusive quest for “it”—that thing we believe will finally bring satisfaction. What’s something you’ve chased after, thinking it would bring fulfillment, only to realize it didn’t?

How did that realization shape your perspective?

3. Paul encourages us to resist comparing ourselves to others (**2 Corinthians 10:12**). How has comparison affected your contentment or generosity?

What steps can you take to shift your focus to gratitude instead? Does generosity help with that shift? Explain.

4. One phrase introduced in the message was, “It could be worse.” How does this statement impact your view of your current financial or material situation?

How might this attitude help you embrace generosity?

5. In **Philippians 4:13**, Paul declares, “I can do all things through Him who gives me strength.” What would it look like in your life to trust God fully with your finances and material needs?

How can this trust lead to greater contentment and peace?

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