

## THE SECRET OF CONTENTMENT

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### Introduction

\* Contentment is “\_\_\_\_\_ (or satisfaction)  
with one's \_\_\_\_\_ in life”

“Contentment is not having all that you \_\_\_\_\_.  
True contentment is \_\_\_\_\_ only what you  
\_\_\_\_\_.”

Contentment means I am not going to \_\_\_\_\_  
for my circumstances to \_\_\_\_\_ in order to  
be happy (or satisfied).

### Text: Philippians 4:10-13

**1. Contentment must be \_\_\_\_\_.** –  
4:11; 1 Timothy 6:6-10

**2. Contentment is not dependent on \_\_\_\_\_.** – 4:11-12

- We can be content in “\_\_\_\_\_”  
circumstances. – 2 Corinthians 11:23-28
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circumstances.

**3. Contentment is not dependent on \_\_\_\_\_.** – 4:11-12

**4. Contentment comes when we realize that \_\_\_\_\_ is all we  
\_\_\_\_\_.** – 4:13

When we are committed to and focused on Christ ...

- God will \_\_\_\_\_ all that we  
\_\_\_\_\_. – 4:19; Matthew 6:30-33
- God will \_\_\_\_\_ what is  
\_\_\_\_\_ for us. – Romans 8:28
- God will be \_\_\_\_\_ us. – Hebrews  
13:5

I can be content because \_\_\_\_\_ dwells  
within me and he is wholly \_\_\_\_\_ to  
meet \_\_\_\_\_ possibility that comes my way.

### Conclusion

To have real contentment:

- Remember that everything belongs to God; what we  
have is a \_\_\_\_\_ from Him.
- Focus what you \_\_\_\_\_ have, not what you  
\_\_\_\_\_ have.
- Ask for wisdom to use what you do have  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- Ask for wisdom to know if your desires are  
\_\_\_\_\_ desires.
- Pray for grace to let go of any desires that aren't  
\_\_\_\_\_ desires for you.
- Trust God to meet your needs in \_\_\_\_\_ timing.
- Surrender yourself, your possessions and your  
circumstances to \_\_\_\_\_.