

Title: **Contentment In Christ**

Week of: **Sunday, March 10th, 2019**

Philippians 4:11-13 *Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.*

What is the most extravagant item you have ever been given?



Covetousness is Serious

We get covetous and materialistic when we desire things that are not God's will for us in that moment. Instead of overspending or going into debt we need to remember that God knows exactly what is best for us at each season of life.

Hebrews 13:5a *Let your conversation [lifestyle] be without covetousness;*

- Name some possessions that are easy to covet.

- List some things people already have that they are regularly wanting to upgrade.

Contentment Is The Solution

When we realize that God has already provided everything we need, then we will be content.

1 Timothy 6:8 *And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.*

- What beyond food, clothes, and shelter, do we convince ourselves we absolutely need?

- What possessions are you afraid of losing?

Contentment Comes From Christ

Earthly things will never quench a heavenly thirst or feed a holy hunger. Only Jesus can do that. Contentment is found when we recognize that Christ is sufficient!

Hebrews 13:5c *for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.*

- Why do so many Christians justify buying more stuff over obeying God's principles with their finances?

- Share a story about a person who was content in an unfortunate situation that you might have struggled in.
