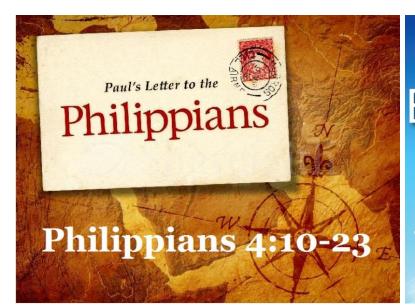


Paul commends the Philippians on their renewed support of him financially. He explains that, through the strengthening of the Lord, he is able to be content in prosperity or in humility. His concern, however, is not for the money but for the Philippians to gain blessings from their faithful giving. He closes with heartfelt greetings to all the brethren, emphasizing that all of our needs are met through the riches of the Lord bestowed on us.

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I can do EVERYTHING through HIM who gives me STRENGTH **11

TRUTHS & PRINCIPLES	APPLICATIONS
Happiness is not something you go out and GET ;	Begin to lay up treasure in heaven by
it is something you go out and GIVE.	giving of your resources.
Your attitude toward money is like an EKG,	Start finding your contentment, not in
revealing your heart's spiritual condition.	material things, but in Christ.
God will meet your needs, if you will meet the	Pray the God will make you a blessing
needs of others.	to someone each day.



Test all things; hold fast what is good. 1 Thessalonians 5:21

1.	What did Paul rejoice over in this verse (4:10)?
2.	What had Paul learned in this verse (4:11)?
3.	What had Paul learned in this verse (4:12)?
4.	Who does Paul state is the source of our ability and strength (4:13)?
5.	The Philippian believers had shared what with Paul (4:14)?
6.	Who was Paul's sole source of support when he departed Macedonia (4:15)?
7.	Paul states that he received their gift while in what city (4:16)?
8.	Paul states that he did not seek the gift but what (4:17)?
9.	What does Paul use as a metaphor for the gift he received (4:18)?

Study Questions

11. Paul issues greeting to whom (4:21-23)?

- 1. Read Philippians 4:10-20 and contemplate on true stewardship.
 - ❖ What are the resources you are responsible for? [Німт: Not just money.]
 - Why is God more concerned with what you do with your time than what you do with your money? [HINT: Everyone has the exact same number of hours in a day.]

10. Who will supply all our needs (4:19-20)?

- ❖ What specific ways can you optimize your time for the gospel to be a more efficient steward of the time you've been given?
- What specific ways can you invest financially in the work of God?
- **♦** What is your most important stewardship? [HINT: It is not your job or your family.] Why?

Our most critical stewardship is our heart. That is what God is most concerned with, and it is this stewardship which will determine our response to all of the other issues we face-moment-by-moment, day-by-day, throughout the coming year, and, in fact, which will determine our eternal destiny. While our salvation is based entirely on what the Lord has done, our ultimate rewards will derive from our responses to the opportunities He provides to us. --- Chuck Missler

- What specific ways can you work to improve your heart stewardship?
- ❖ How would you compare Paul's attitude toward stewardship and those of the "name it and claim it" TV ministries? What do you think God's position is on this?
- 2. Read Philippians 4:21-23 and contemplate on the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.
 - What does the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ mean to you?
 - ❖ Where would you be now, without the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ?
 - Where would you be eternally, without the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ?