

# Contentment from Caring for Others

Philippians 4:14-19

## Introduction: Paul's keys to contentment

- He trusted the sovereignty of God – Phil. 1:12-18
- He lived to magnify Christ - Phil. 1:20-21
- He drew on divine strength and grace - Phil. 4:13
- He focused his attention on caring for others

## I. Clarification #1 - "I'm grateful for the gift" (vv. 14-16)

- A. II Corinthians 8:1-5
- B. Philippians 4:10

## II. Clarification #2 - "I'm not asking for more" (vv. 17-19)

- A. Paul's selflessness (v. 17)
  - Philippians 2:3-4
- B. God's blessing on sacrificial givers
  1. Proverbs 11:24-25, 19:17
  2. Luke 6:38
  3. II Corinthians 9:6-12
- C. God's appraisal of sacrificial givers (v. 18)
  - Ephesians 5:2
- D. God's promise to sacrificial givers (v. 19)
  - Matthew 6:1-4