

Part 29 – Philippians 4:10-19
The SECRET of Contentmentcontinued

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10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned before, but you lacked opportunity.

11 Not that I speak from want, **for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am.**

12 I know how to get along with humble means, and **I also know** how to live in prosperity; **in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need.**

13 **I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.**

14 Nevertheless, you have done well to share with me in my affliction.

15 You yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the first preaching of the gospel, after I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone;

16 for even in Thessalonica you sent a gift more than once for my needs.

17 Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account.

18 But I have received everything in full and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God.

19 And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at last you have **revived** your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned before, but you lacked opportunity.

Revived - (“to be in a state, identical with a previous state, grow up again, bloom again” BDAG,

“to lack an opportune time for doing something, have no opportunity” BDAG,)

11 Not that I speak from want, **for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am.**

(1 Corinthians 4:6)

John 8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”

The first English New Testament to use the verse divisions was a 1557 translation by William Whittingham (c. 1524–1579). The first Bible in English to use both chapters and verses was the Geneva Bible published shortly afterwards in 1560.

11 Not that I speak from want, **for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am.** I know how to get along with **humble means**, and **I also know** how to live **in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned THE SECRET of being filled and going hungry, BOTH of having abundance and suffering need.**

So we see what Paul is talking about here, he actually repeats it:

humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity;

then he repeats it:

being filled and going hungry, BOTH of having abundance and suffering need.

"BOTH of having abundance and suffering need."

The secret: *"universally, to teach fully, instruct, to accustom one to a thing; to give one an intimate acquaintance with a thing" (Thayer,)*

("initiate [into the mysteries]" BDAG

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

ALL things - *The content of "all things" (panta) refers to Paul's ability to be content in the numerous circumstances that he contextually cited. - Bill Ramey NTGreek In Diagram Series: Volume 19 (4:13-14 Notes Page 112)*

Through – *en - by*

Him who strengthens - (*endunamonti*) - *to empower*

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Philippians 4:5 Let your forbearing **spirit** be known to all men. The Lord is near.

Gentle spirit; 'fore bearing spirit; (BDAG)

"Be known" = to be aware of someth[ing], perceive, notice, realize" (BDAG)

Philippians 4:23 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your **spirit.**

spirit. -denotes "a part of human personality, spirit . . . as the source and seat of insight, feeling, and will" (BDAG,

John 6:63 "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; **the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.**

Philippians 4:9 The things **you have learned** and received and heard and seen in me, **practice these things**; and the God of peace shall be with you.

Philippians 4:11 Not that I speak from want; **for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am.**

Philippians 4:12 I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance **I have learned the secret** of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need.

Luke 6:46 "And why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and **do not do** what I say?"