

2. Read Philippians 4:11-13. What kinds of situations did the Apostle Paul face? Put in your own words his secret to contentment "whatever" he faced.

3. Review Philippians 4:10b. Brainstorm some opportunities you have right now to help others. Between these and the ideas you put in the box under the challenge, pick (at least) one to consider as your action step for this week. Make a note to ask someone in your circle about their action step for this week and share yours too.

IN YOUR GROUP

TALK IT OVER with friends right now, using the **bold** questions above. In your Cornerstone Community group this week, discuss your answers to the ON YOUR OWN questions. In a one-hour online group session, you might spend a 10-15 minutes catching up, 40 minutes talking through the discussion questions above, and 15-20 minutes praying for one another and planning ways the group can meet needs and serve others.

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Growth Guide

FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

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AND MAKES YOU BETTER AT LIFE.*

MESSAGE NOTES

EVEN SO

NEW YEAR. BETTER.

TODAY: CONTENTMENT • PHILIPPIANS 4:10-20

THE BOTTOM LINE

HE _____. HE _____. EVEN ____.

I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances.

– Philippians 4:11b NIV

Picking Up the Pattern

If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God whom we serve is **able to save** us.

He will rescue us from your power, Your Majesty.

But **even if** he doesn't, we want to make it clear to you, Your Majesty, that we will never serve your gods or worship the gold statue you have set up."

– Daniel 3:17-18 NLT

HE CAN

(And therefore so can we through Christ.)

For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength. –
Philippians 4:13 NLT

HE WILL

(He's done it before and he'll do it again.)

And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your
needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us
in Christ Jesus. – Philippians 4:19 NLT

EVEN SO

*(Whatever my circumstances by Christ's power I can be
content and honor God through it all.)*

Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned how to be content
with whatever I have. – Philippians 4:11 NLT

I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have
plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and
every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in
plenty or in want. – Philippians 4:12 NIV

For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.
– Philippians 4:13 NLT

Are you in Christ Jesus?

...which have been given to us in Christ Jesus.
– Philippians 4:19b NLT

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*Let us celebrate your decision
& resource you for your new life in Christ.*

Are You Living for God's Glory?

Now all glory to God our Father forever and ever! Amen.
– Philippians 4:20 NLT

>>> With your words? <<<

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be
pleasing to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.
– Psalm 19:14 NLT

...out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.
– Matthew 12:34b NKJV

Like a madman who throws firebrands, arrows, and death is the
man who deceives his neighbor and says, "I am only joking!"
– Proverbs 26:18-19 ESV

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but
only what is helpful for building others up according to their
needs, that it may benefit those who listen.
– Ephesians 4:29 NIV

>>> By helping others <<<

>>> when it's in your power to do so? <<<

I know you have always been concerned for me, but you didn't
have the chance to help me. – Philippians 4:10b NLT

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love
one another. – John 13:35 NIV

"Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the
man who was attacked by bandits?" Jesus asked.

The man replied, "The one who showed him mercy."

Then Jesus said, "Yes, now go and do the same."

– Luke 10:36-38 NLT

THE CHALLENGE

____ (At least) one "_____" action
_____.

*Got ideas of how to live an "Even So" life this week?
Start writing them down here:*

ON YOUR OWN

Answer these questions this week to reflect and go deeper.

**1. If you could change one thing for this year compared to
last year, what would it be and why?**