

The Book of Philippians

Paul's Conclusion to the Philippians (4:4-23) (Part 16)

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- VII. Paul's Conclusion to the Philippians (4:4-23)
 - A. Paul Commanded the Philippians (4:4-9)
 - B. Paul Commended the Philippians (4:10-20)
 - 1. Paul Gave Thanks for Their Gift (4:10)
 - 2. Paul Explained the Foundation of His Thanks (4:11-17)
 - a. It was Not Based in His Need: His Contentment (4:11-14)

Parenthesis: The Christian Virtue of Contentment

- 1. The Essence of Contentment: A Biblically Affirmed Virtue
 - a. Its Pauline Expressions
 - b. Its Old Testament Foundations
 - c. Its Christological Affirmations
 - d. Its Meaning
 - 2. The Implications of Contentment: A Real Acknowledgment of Need (Ps. 37:25)
 - a. The Misapplication of Psalm 37:25
 - b. The Context of Palm 37:25
- { I. Look by faith to God's justice, to avoid frustration over the wicked's prospering (1-11)
II. Realize that the Lord protects the righteous and destroys the wicked (12-22)
III. Trust that God fulfills His promise to those who keep covenant with Him (23-29)
A. The protection of God rests on those who please Him (23-26)
 - 1. The life that pleases God is protected by Him (23-24)
 - 2. The protection of God extends to the family of the righteous (25-26)}
- c. The Meaning of Psalm 37:25