

PARTNERSHIP IN THE GOSPEL

A STUDY IN PHILIPPIANS

Community Group Questions Nov 15, 2020

Contentment Philippians 4:10–14

Kicking Things Off

- In chapter two, Dr. Corey talks about the importance of vulnerability and authenticity, being willing to admit to others we don't have it all together, as an important part of showing kindness to others. Why is that the case? How is this disarming for others?
- What happens when we take the risk and humbly admit our flaws to others?
- How does our view of the gospel make this possible?
- According to Dr. Corey, the Christian has a confidence in God. What does this mean?
- What risk might God be calling you to take right now? How will you deal with the uncertainty of that call?

Getting Into It

Read Philippians 4:10–14

- What is Paul talking about in verse 10? Do you remember what did the Philippians do for him, how they partnered with him in the gospel?
- Look at verses 11-12. Paul at times had very serious real needs and yet he says he's not speaking from want and he's learned the secret of being content. What's going on here?
- Contentment is not characteristic of our culture. What does it mean to be content?
- Are you currently experiencing contentment? Why or why not?
- What is the difference between a healthy discontent and a sinful discontentment? What are the results of each of these?
- How does contentment intersect with our confidence in God's sovereignty and care for us?
- On Sunday, David said, "Contentment comes from having confidence in God and that you are living your life centered on His will for you." What did he mean by that? How does that produce contentment?

The Parting Shot

Spend some time confessing areas of discontentment you are struggling with and then praying for one another.

