

# FINISHING WELL

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Philippians 4:10-23

"I have fought the **good** fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."  
(2Timothy 4:7 NIV84)

Four keys to help you "finish well" in life:

## I. Learn to be \_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus.

**Philippians 4:10 NIV84** I rejoice greatly in the Lord that at last you have renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you have been concerned, but you had no **opportunity** to show it.

**11** I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be **content** whatever the circumstances.

### A. Our world \_\_\_\_\_ discontentment.

**Luke 3:14 NIV84** [Jesus] replied, "Don't extort money and don't accuse people falsely-be content with your pay."

**Hebrews 13:5 NIV84** Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

**1 Timothy 6:8 NIV84** But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

### B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of contentment: More of Jesus!

**Philippians 4:12 NIV84** 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.

**13** I can do everything through **him** who gives me strength.

**1 Timothy 6:6 NIV84** But godliness with contentment is great gain.

Q: Would your \_\_\_\_\_ say you are content?

## II. Invest \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus.

**Philippians 4:14** Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles.

**15** Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the **gospel**, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only;

**Philippians 4:16 NIV84** for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid again and again when I was in need. **17** Not that I am looking for a gift, but I am looking for what may be credited to your account.

## A. We are designed to seek \_\_\_\_\_!

**Hebrews 11:6** And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

**Mark 9:41 ; Luke 6:23 , Mark 9:41, Luke 6:23**

Q: Are you \_\_\_\_\_ in that which will last forever?

## III. Learn to \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus.

### A. Only God can meet \_\_\_\_\_ your needs!

**Philippians 4:18 NIV84** I have received full payment and even more; I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an **acceptable** sacrifice, pleasing to God.

**19** And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. **20** To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Q: What need(s) do you need to \_\_\_\_\_ God for?

## IV. Grow in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.

**Philippians 4:21 NIV84** Greet all the saints in Christ Jesus. The brothers who are with me send greetings. **22** All the saints send you greetings, especially those who belong to Caesar's household.

**23** The **grace** of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

### A. Don't miss God's \_\_\_\_\_!

**Galatians 2:21 NIV84** I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!"

Q: Have you received God's \_\_\_\_\_ yet?