"Christ is Sufficient for the Believer"

Philippians 4:10-23

- The first thing that we see in this set of scripture is that Paul speaks of once again where his joy comes from, what does Paul say?
- We can sense that Paul realizes what we see in James 1:17 and that is, every good gift and every perfect gift is from ______ and comes down from the ______ with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.
- Paul tells us that he has learned to be what in verse 11?
- In learning how to be content he says, "I know how to be ______, and I know how to ______, and I know how to ______.
 Everywhere and in all things, I have learned both to be ______ and to be ______, to _____, and to suffer ______.
- We see where Paul gets his contentment from in Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through ______ who strengthens me."
- Does this mean that we can?
 - a) Do any and all things through Christ?
 - b) Or that we can do all things in Christ's will, all things in His realm of thought, in His desires, that In Christ, I can do all that He wills for me to do by His power?
- In verse 18 Paul says what about the gifts that the Philippians had gave to him? He says they were "a ______ aroma, an acceptable ______, well pleasing to ______".
- Would our gifts to support the Lord's work meet this high standard?
- We see another promise in verse 19, "And my God shall ______ all your ______ according to His ______ in glory by ______."
- Personal reflection: Christian, Is Christ sufficient for you? The textbook answer to that question is yes but what is the truthful answer? Does your life exhibit that Christ is all you need, do you walk with Christ seeking to do all He has for you in Him or do you seek to use Christ to do all you desire? Can you boldly claim that He is your God, that He will supply all your need, that it all comes from and through His riches in glory by His Son, the Savior of the World, Jesus Christ?
- Scripture references: Philippians 4:10-23, Acts 16:17, 18, 22-25, James 1:17, 2 Corinthians 3:5, Hebrews 13:5, 1 Timothy 6:6, 1 Timothy 6:17-19, 2 Corinthians 12:9-10, 1 Peter 2:5, Matthew 6:20, Luke 18:30, Matthew 6:4, Hebrews 13L5, Ephesians 3:20

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