## THE SECRET OF CONTENTMENT

## PART 2: BIBLICAL GIVING Philippians 4:14-23

- I. REVIEW: THOSE WHO ARE TRULY CONTENT ARE NOT DRIVEN BY WANT, but rejoice in God's providential care through His Body (10-11a)
- II. REVIEW: THOSE WHO ARE TRULY CONTENT, KNOW CONTENTMENT IS NOT BASED UPON CIRCUMSTANCE, BUT for the believer is LEARNED IN CIRCUMSTANCE: That is, Christ is all sufficient for every circumstance (11b-13)
- III. THOSE WHO ARE TRULY CONTENT WILL MANIFEST IN A TRUE CONCERN FOR GOD'S PEOPLE AND GOD'S GLORY, rather than self (14-23)
  - A. Contentment illustrated in a biblical understanding of giving and receiving (14-20)
    - 1. **Paul is more concerned about the Philippians welfare** than his own needs being met (14-19)
      - a) **Their eternal welfare:** God rewards those who share with His Body (14-17)

- b) **Their temporal welfare:** God supplies all the needs for those who sacrifice for His Body (18-19)
- 2. Paul desired God to receive all the glory (20)

B. Final greetings (21-23)