

Family Theme | **Christ's Provision** Date | **October 26, 2025**
Study Text | **Philippians 3:1–21; 4:10–20**

Read the Word: Philippians 3:1–21; 4:10–20

Disciple Your Family: Discuss how seeking to know Christ better brings joy, peace, and contentment.

Discuss the following Key Truths and how to apply them to life. Use the questions to spark discussion.



Key Truth: Christ Provides Everything Needed for Salvation for Those Who Know and Trust Him (Philippians 3:1–21)

APPLY: Be joyful because of all that Christ has done for you.

- *Why should every Christian be joyful no matter their circumstances?*

APPLY: Put no confidence in your own righteous acts and accomplishments. Trust in Christ alone to save you.

- *Give some examples of how some people today try to depend on their own righteous works to be right with God. (Other religions teach that people must do certain works to earn favor with God, or a combination of doing certain works and holding to certain beliefs; some believe salvation comes if our good works outweigh our sinful works; etc.)*
- *In verse 7, Paul stated that whatever gain he had, he counted it as loss for the sake of Christ. Why is this a difficult mentality to have in today's world?*

APPLY: Make knowing Christ your greatest passion and priority.

- *Why should knowing Christ be the highest on our priority list?*
- *What was Paul talking about in verse 13 when he spoke of "forgetting what lies behind"? How do shame and guilt try to thwart this?*
- *How can we "press on" to know Christ? (Spend time in Bible reading and prayer; avoid getting caught up in the things of the world; put His Word into practice; etc.)*

APPLY: Follow the example of faithful believers but avoid false teachers and their teachings.

- *Why is it important to have mature believers in our lives who we can imitate as they serve Christ? (It encourages us to do the same; it gives us someone to be accountable to; etc.)*



Key Truth: Christ Provides Strength and Contentment in Any Circumstance (Philippians 4:10–20)

APPLY: With the Lord's help, learn to be content in all circumstances, including the tough ones.

- *What is the difference between contentment and complacency?*
- *Why can believers be content no matter their circumstances? (Christ becomes more important to them than their circumstances; they know God uses all circumstances to grow us and teach us; they know the glory of Heaven awaits; etc.)*
- *What is the difference between being content in every situation and being happy?*

- We often hear verse 13 used in the context of athletics or competition. What is the proper context of the verse? How can we apply it to our lives?

APPLY: Partner with your church, with missionaries, and with other ministries to share the gospel and disciple others.

- What do we learn from these verses about how God views the gifts and support that are given to support His work? (These gifts and support are acceptable and pleasing to God; God provides for those who sacrifice and give to His work; etc.)
- What opportunities do you have to help meet people's needs, both within the church and outside the church?

Build a Foundation: Discussion questions for elementary students.

- Why is it important to know Jesus?
- What are some ways Satan keeps you from knowing Jesus and growing your relationship with Him?
- How was Paul able to be content in every situation? How can you learn to follow his example in your life?

Work together to memorize the Verse of the Month: *Philippians 4:4*



Discuss This Week's Building Block:

God answers prayer according to His will. He might answer yes, no, or later.

Everyday Extras:

Go to the home bonus tools at www.d6family.com to download instructions for the Distraction Dash game to play with your family. Talk about the different things that can keep us from knowing Jesus as well as ways to fight against those distractions. Why does Satan throw those distractions at us? When is he successful and what are some ways to say "no" to his temptations? Close with prayer asking God to help each family member stay focused on knowing Jesus and for strength to press on every day.

Preschool Highlights:

Today your child learned Paul wrote to the believers in Philippi to tell them to rejoice in the Lord always. Paul was able to do that because his focus was living for Jesus. We make Jesus our focus when we pray, think on good things, and choose to be joyful. Paul chose to be joyful in good times and bad. **I Can Choose to Be Joyful** in every situation like Paul did.