

**THE MOST MISUNDERSTOOD AND MISUSED  
VERSES FROM SCRIPTURE - Part V**

Reference: **Philippians 4:10-13**

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**verse thirteen**, *"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."*

IT IS TRUE we can do all things \_\_\_\_\_  
through Christ who strengthens us.

IT IS NOT TRUE we can do all things \_\_\_\_\_  
through Christ who strengthens us.

**verse ten**, *"But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at last your care for me has flourished again; though you surely did care, but you lacked opportunity."*

**verse eleven**, *"Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content."*

**verse twelve**, *"I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need."*

The Big Idea of this section of Scripture is \_\_\_\_\_.

Notice what contentment is not:

- contentment is not \_\_\_\_\_
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- commitment is not \_\_\_\_\_

**Definition:** Contentment is an inner satisfaction that is independent of our \_\_\_\_\_.

Paul mentions three suggestions for learning how to be content:

ONE... Learn to avoid \_\_\_\_\_ our circumstances to someone else's circumstances.

Read **verses ten** and **eleven** (see screen)

TWO... Learn to \_\_\_\_\_ to our circumstances.

Read **verse twelve** (see screen)

Circumstances fall into three basic categories:

- those circumstances we can control and we \_\_\_\_\_
- those circumstances we can control and we \_\_\_\_\_
- those circumstances that are \_\_\_\_\_ our control

Principle: We should adjust to circumstances that are outside our control and find our new \_\_\_\_\_.

THREE... Learn to \_\_\_\_\_ our circumstances through Jesus Christ.

Read **verse thirteen** (see screen)

Principle: What's going on, on the \_\_\_\_\_ of us isn't as important as what's going on, on the \_\_\_\_\_ of us.

This statement *"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me!"* could be paraphrased as *"I can be \_\_\_\_\_ through Christ who strengthens me!"*