

“Joyride”
“The Secret”
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The Bible wasn't given just to increase our knowledge, the Bible was given to change our life...

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- to use the word of God
- to transform us to be like the Son of God

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Philippians 4 (NIV).
10 I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were 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.

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12 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 all this through him who gives me strength.

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Philippians 4:12 (NCV)
“I know how to live when I am poor, and I know how to live when I plenty. I have learned the secret of being happy at any time in everything that happens, when I have enough to eat and when I go hungry, when I have more than I need and when I do not have enough.”

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Three things Paul learned that made him content in any situation:

- 1. Paul learned to be satisfied with his blessings.**

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Philippians 4:11b (NCV)

"I have learned to be satisfied with the things I have and with everything that happens."

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Timothy 6 (NIV)

6 "But godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. 8 But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that."

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Philippians 4:19 (NIV)

"And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus."

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Test Questions

- 1. Do you enjoy what you have?**
- 2. Do you refuse to worry about tomorrow?**
- 3. Do you regularly and joyfully offer thanksgiving to God?**
- 4. Do you rejoice at the prosperity of other people?**

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Philippians 4:6 (NIV)

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God."

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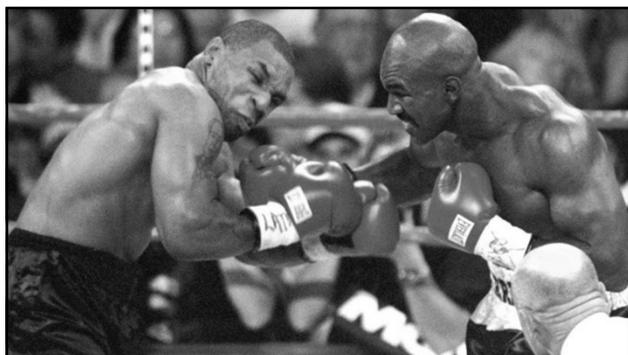
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- 2. Paul learned to be sustained by God's strength.**

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**Philippians 4:13 (CEV)
"Christ gives me the strength to face anything."**

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**2 Corinthians 12:9 (NIV)
"But Christ said to me, My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."**

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**2 Corinthians 12:9b (NIV)
"Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me."**

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Philippians 4:13 (NLT)
"I can do everything
God asks me to with the
help of Christ who gives
me the strength and
power."

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- 3. Paul learned to be surrendered to God's will**

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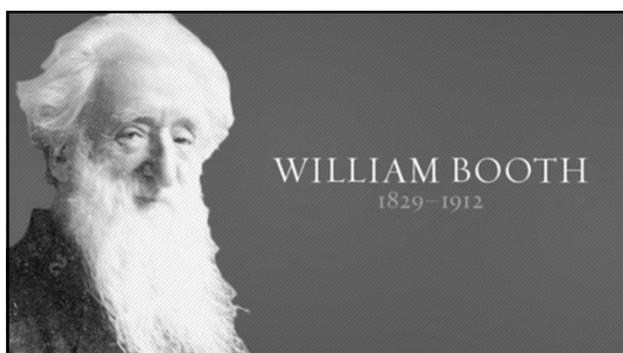
Philippians 1 (NIV)
20 "I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death.
21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

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Review:

- Chapter 1? Jesus Christ is my purpose ...**
- Chapter 2 ... Jesus Christ is my pattern.**
- Chapter 3 ... Jesus Christ is my prize.**
- Chapter 4 ... Jesus Christ is my provision.**

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**The theme of
Philippians ...
I can rejoice in
anything when
Christ is everything.**