

## **Living With Godfidence | Episode 8 | Pastor Rob**

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### **Summary**

In this final message of the Godfidence series, Pastor Rob continues to explore the concept of 'Godfidence' - the assurance that God is with us and at work in our lives. Focusing on Philippians 4:10-20, he explains that contentment is a key component of Godfidence. Paul's letter teaches that contentment must be learned and isn't dependent on circumstances but on trusting God. He outlines three ways to build Godfidence:

- 1 - Practicing contentment in all circumstances through God's strength
- 2 - Giving generously even when resources seem limited, and
- 3 - Trusting God completely to meet all our needs.

### **Ice Breaker**

In what area of your life are you most content? What area are you least content?

### **Key Verses**

Philippians 4:11-13

<sup>11</sup>I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

Philippians 4:19

<sup>19</sup>And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 6:30-31

<sup>30</sup> If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? <sup>31</sup> So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'

### **Questions**

1. Pastor Rob defined contentment as 'knowing and showing that God has given me everything I need for my present happiness.' How does this definition challenge your current understanding of contentment?
2. Paul says he 'learned to be content whatever the circumstances.' What circumstances in your life currently make contentment difficult?
3. How does our culture work against the biblical concept of contentment?
4. We had someone in our online service that heard Pastor Rob speak about giving and responded with "Just checking this out for the first time, is this another church that just speaks about giving and not about Jesus?". How would you respond to them?
5. How does contentment free us up to be more generous with others?
6. A lot of *drive*, professionally, in relationships, in sports training, etc. comes from discontentment. For instance, we don't like being poor, we crave respect, we want to win, life would be so much better if we got the girl/guy, etc. How do we have Godly drive while still being content?
7. What's the difference between believing God can meet your needs and trusting that He will meet your needs? How can we move from belief to trust?

### **Life Application**

This week, identify one area where you've been discontent and depending on circumstances rather than God. Each day, practice surrendering this area to God through prayer, acknowledging His presence and work in your life. Then, take a step of generosity - find someone with a need and meet it, even if it feels like a sacrifice. Keep a journal of how God provides for you as you practice trusting Him completely rather than your circumstances.

### **Key Takeaways**

- Contentment must be learned; it doesn't come naturally or from having everything we want.
- The secret to contentment in any circumstance is God's strength, not our own abilities.
- Generosity flows from contentment - when we trust God's provision, we can freely give to others.
- There's a difference between believing God can meet our needs and trusting that He will meet them.
- Godfidence means placing our trust in who God is rather than in our changing circumstances.