

Jesus as My Provider

Sunday May 30, 2021

Series: *Living Above the Noise*

“And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.”

Philippians 1:6 ESV

“I can do all things through him who strengthens me.”

Philippians 4:13 ESV

I. Opportunities to Encourage

“I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity.” *Philippians 4:10 ESV*

“Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble.” *Philippians 4:14 ESV*

Paul Situation was Not that Great

“For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry.” *2 Timothy 4:10–11 ESV*

“so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ.” *Philippians 1:13 ESV*

“And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again.” *Philippians 4:15–16 ESV*

“Many a man proclaims his own steadfast love, but a faithful man who can find?” *Proverbs 20:6 ESV*

Paul embraced the Opportunity to Encourage

“I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me.” *Philippians 4:10a ESV*

“You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity.” *Philippians 4:10b ESV*

II. Contentment with my Current Situation

“Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content.”
Philippians 4:11 ESV

The Cost of My Discontentment

“Now the rabble that was among them had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, “Oh that we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.””
Numbers 11:4–6 ESV

“And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.”
Deuteronomy 8:3 ESV

“I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content.”
Philippians 4:11b ESV

“I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.”
Philippians 4:12 ESV

The Secret to Living Above the Noise

“I can do all things through him who strengthens me.”
Philippians 4:13 ESV

Will I embrace what the Lord is doing in my life right now?

- **Take Advantage of the Opportunity to Encourage**

“But Jesus answered them, “My Father is working until now, and I am working.””
John 5:17 ESV

- **Be Content with My Current Situation**

“And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.”
Philippians 4:19 ESV