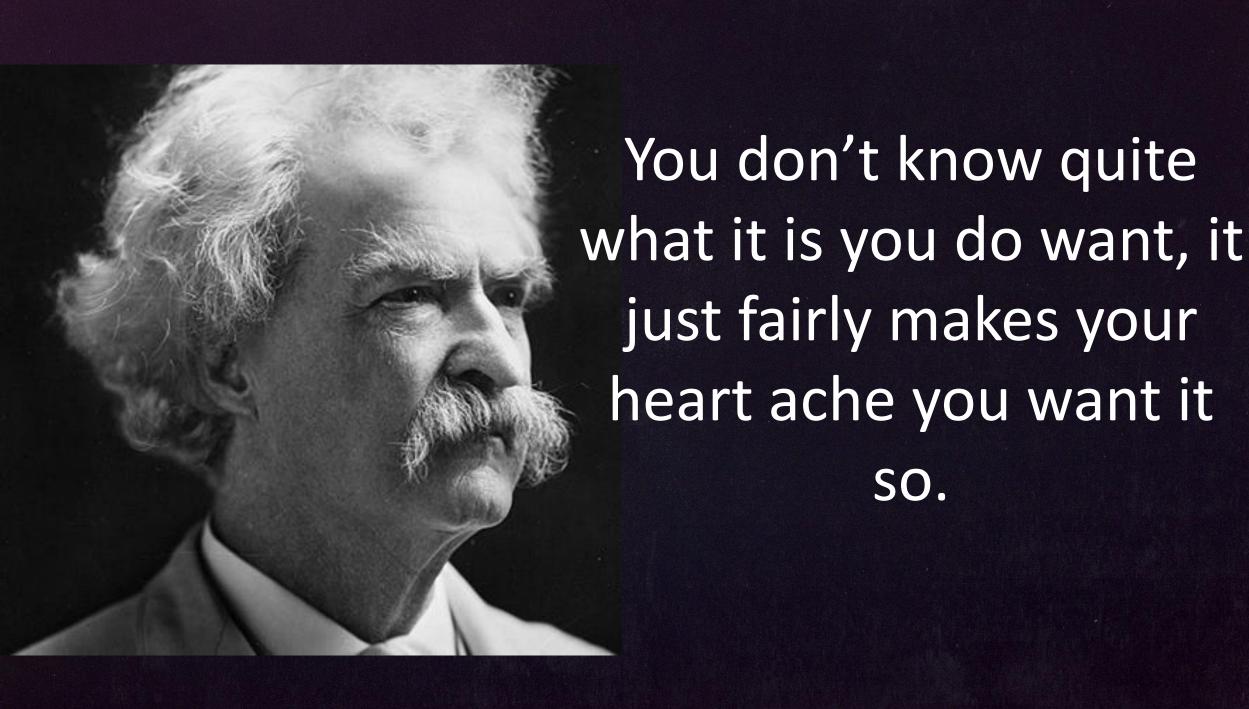


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THREE QUESTIONS ABOUT CONTENTMENT

What is it?
Why don't we have it?
How can we get it?

PHILIPPIANS 4:11,17

11 am not saying this because I am in need.
 17 Not that I desire your gifts.

CONTENTIMENT: What is it?

CONTENTIMENT: NOT Settling

CONTENTIMENT: NOT Stoicism

CONTENT/MENT: "satisfied after a meal"

CONTENTIMENT: The experience of having your deepest appetites satisfied.

CONTENTIMENT: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

CONTENTIMENT: Why don't we have

The first sin in the Bible is DISCONTENTIMENT.

Discontentment is not just a happiness problem, it is a WORSHIPPROBLEM.

Ingratitude

Pride

Envy

Idolatry

SATAN'S LIE "IFONLY-THEN"

CONTENTIMENT: How do we get it?

SOUL-DEEP CONTENTMENT only comes in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

PHILIPPIANS 1:9,11

⁹ And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more...¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ.

PHILIPPIANS 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

PHILIPPIANS 3:7-8

⁷But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8 What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things.

PHILIPPIANS 3:14

I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

PHILIPPIANS 4:4,7

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. ⁷And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

PHILIPPIANS 4:13 I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

"These words show us that contentment is not a natural propensity of man. Covetousness, discontent, and murmuring are as natural to man as thorns are to the soil. We need not sow thistles and brambles; they come up naturally enough, because they are indigenous to earth."

"And so, we need not teach men to complain; they complain fast enough without any education. But the precious things of the earth must be cultivated. If we would have wheat, we must plough and sow; if we want flowers, there must be the garden, and all the gardener's care."

Now, contentment is one of the flowers of heaven, and if we would have it, it must be cultivated; it will not grow in us by nature; it is the new nature alone that can produce it, and even then we must be specially careful and watchful that we maintain and cultivate the grace which God has sown in us." -Charles Spurgeon



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What is stealing your CONTENTIMENT?

What would it look like for you to nurture CONTENTMENT IN THE LORD?



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