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It Is a Matter of Contentment

“Contentment” is not that hard to define- it is “the quality or state of being contented.”

But this just leads us back to the root word, “content,” which has two basic meanings.

The first is “to appease the desires of” (Webster’s New Collegiate Dict.), that is, to get what you want. This isn’t biblical contentment, but it is, unfortunately, the practical application for most of us. We think we would be content if we could just have all (or most) of our desires fulfilled. However, even when such occurs, it usually doesn’t work that way.

The second definition of “content” is “to limit (oneself) in requirements, desires, or actions,” Obviously, this is on the other end of the spectrum.

Instead of getting everything you want, this is learning to be happy with what you have. Such is exactly the meaning of the Greek word, *autarkeia* (autos, self + arkeo, to be enough), which is translated as “contentment” in 1Timothy 6:6, “But godliness actually is a means of great gain, when accompanied by contentment.”

The pivot-point between these two opposing definitions is the difference between wants and needs. The first definition of “contentment” requires the fulfilling of our desires to be reached; while the second one is achieved when our basic necessities are met. Consider the next verses in 1Timothy 6:7-8, “For we have brought nothing into this world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. And if we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.” I’m not sure how many of us would be content with just enough food to sustain us, and just enough clothing/shelter to protect us. I do know that whoever is able to be content with those bare necessities, would also be content with whatever luxuries God provided without becoming dependent upon them. Paul spoke of this in Philippians 4:11-12, “Not that I speak from want; for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need.” Let’s take this basic understanding of “contentment” a bit further. It occurs to me that the source of many of our spiritual problems is a lack of contentment with God’s provision. Think about it. What causes marital infidelity? Is it not a lack of contentment with the spouse God gave you, 1Corinthians 7:1-5?

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Prayer Requests

Clyde & Penny Ball Please continue to keep Clyde and Penny in your prayers.

Linda Holbrook Bender Please pray for her comfort, that she will have good days.

Esther Crisp Please keep her in your prayers.

Gregg Ferrell Please continue praying for him and his family during this time.

Marleigh Gilbert (Cousin to Jon & Don) 6 years old suffering with leukemia at St.Judes. She is in need of lots of prayer for strength and healing.

Teresa Hayward Please keep Teresa, Jeff and their family in your prayers as she continues treatment.

Peggy Hollback Please continue praying she will be blessed with better health

Chris & Gary Hickman (Friends of Penny) They are both having health concerns needing prayers.

Chris Jennings (Jack & Jane's Son) Please continue praying for him and his family.

Tom Kallner Please continue to keep Tom and Brenda in your prayers.

Jim McGraw Please be praying for his healing as he battles lung cancer.

Arley Parker Please continue prayers for healing and strength for her family as they love and care for her.

Stiles Family Please keep this family in your prayers.

Walt Vannatta (Jeff's Dad) Please keep him in your Prayers as he is having some health issues.

Mark Villinger Please keep him and his family in your prayers as he continues his cancer treatment.

Esther Crisp	The Courtyard Rm. #106
Sarah Gilliland	Hillview Room L306
Helen Hayward	Homebound

**Please pray for our Country
And our World**

GREAT NEWS TO SHARE!

Jase Parker was baptized into Christ last Sunday Morning. We are so happy for him and his family. May God bless him always as he begins his new life.



*** Home Groups (Sunday Evenings thru April)**

***** Looking Ahead:**

Vacation Bible School - June 17- 21

Church Camp Week - July 7-12

Children's Day Camp - July 7-11

Sunday Morning Live Streaming Links:

<https://sunshinecofc.church/sermon-media>
<https://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

Welcome To All of Our Guests

Thank you for coming. Please come back!

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion bread available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the **Welcome Center**. Your welcome to pick it up before the services on your way into the auditorium.

We Are So Glad You Are Here!



KID'S Club

Kids Pre-K - 6th Grade

Wednesday Evening Bible Class.

It includes a short & fun video reviewing the lesson taught on Sunday



Come Join Us!

Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM



*** The April Item Is ***

Fruit Snack Cups

**For Mid Western Children's Home
Thank You!**

SUNSHINE CHURCH of CHRIST
We Invite You To Join Us

Sunday Morning 10:00 A.M.
Sunday Eve. Class 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 P.M.

You may also call 855-565-7670
to hear the lessons by phone.

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* **Spring Home Groups Continue**
Sunday Evenings **April 21 & 28th @ 6:00**
'Walking With Jesus' - Matt Reagan
There's plenty of room, Come join us!

* There is also a group meeting here at the church building.

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* **Howells Mill Golf Scramble**
Friday, April 26, Starting at 8:00 am
Sugarwood Golf Club in Lavalette, W.Va.
See Jamie Riley or Jared McCray for more information.

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* **Vacation Bible School - June 17-21**
'SCUBA Diving into friendship with God'
Please be praying for the message of Jesus to be shared this week.
If you can volunteer to help with VBS, please contact Brittany.

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* **Sunshine's Week for Church Camp**
is planned for July 7-12.
To register: www.howellsmill.org
If you have questions or need help, please contact Shaun or Jamie.

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* **Sunshine Day Camp 2024**
July 8-11 @ 10:00-1:00, Children Ages 3-7
We will have songs, crafts, games and Bible lessons. The kids have a great time!
On line Registration:
go.sunshinecofc.church/daycamp
Please register your child, spaces are limited.
Please see Joan if you need more information

Come Join Us!
High School Graduation Party
Honoring: Maria Gragg

And
Shelby Coriell
Saturday, April 27, 4-7 pm.
At the Gragg Residence,
2082 Germany Rd. Lucasville, Ohio

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* **Sunshine will host the Minford After Prom,** May 4 at Minford High School.
We would appreciate any donation of snacks for the kids to enjoy while they are there.
There is a sign up list for the snacks at the Welcome Center.
Thank you!

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* **The Sunshine Free Sale**
is scheduled for Saturday, July 27th.
Please keep this date in mind as you are doing Spring cleaning or closet cleanout.

Family Bible Time

ADULT CLASSES MONTH OF April
***Sunday Evening Auditorium**

Home Groups
(A group also meets here at the building)

***Wednesday Evening Auditorium**
Jeff Vannatta

***Wednesday Evening Ladies Class**
June Book

Embracing Grace In How You Think & Act
Ephesians 5:1-21, 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning	04/21/2024	04/28/2024	05/05/2024
Worship Leader	Shaun McCray	Zach Coriell	Jared McCray
Scripture Reading	Lonnie Hollback	Tim Coriell	Mike Gamp
Prayer	Bill Deacon	Jacob Bowe	Justin Spengler
Communion	Derek Miller	Jacob Book	Rich Book
Message	Jamie Riley	Jamie Riley	Jamie Riley
Announcements / Prayer	Wayne Gamp	Rich Book	Shaun McCray
Sunday Evening	04/21/2024	04/28/2024	05/05/2024
Worship Leader	Home Groups	Home Groups	Zach Coriell
Communion			Josh Coriell



Sunday Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:00 pm

Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 pm

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What causes greed? Is it not a lack of contentment with God's provision of sustaining material things, Matthew 6:25-33?

What causes most conflicts between us? Isn't it that we are not content with what we are getting from the other person- whether it's respect, tolerance, understanding, forgiveness, assistance, etc.?

But if, in true contentment, we could obey Philippians 2:2-3, "Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others," wouldn't most of these conflicts disappear?

What about "contentment" in religion? If we would just content ourselves with doing what God said, how God said to do it, wouldn't that simplify things dramatically?

If we were content with Christ's plan to save through believing (John 8:24), repenting (Luke 13:3), confessing (Matthew 10:32), being baptized for the remission of sins (1Peter 3:21), and living faithfully to the best of our abilities (John 14:15), then unity could result.

If we were content with God's instructions for simple New Testament worship, which included praying (1Timothy 2:8), singing (1Corinthians 14:15), partaking of the Lord's Supper (1Corinthians 11:23-34), preaching/studying the word (Acts 2:42), and giving of our means (1Corinthians 16:1-2), then we could do away with robe-clad choirs, orchestras, dramatic performances, fund-raisers for every kind of activity and function, and all the "special" groups which divide us. Then, we could be together, and simply worship God "in spirit and in truth." How great is the gain when godliness is accompanied by simple contentment with what God has said, cf. 1Timothy 6:6 and 1Peter 4:11!

It is a wonderful thing to content yourself: with God's physical provision of life's necessities; in your relationships with family, friends, and brethren; and with God's plans of salvation and worship!

God Loves You and We Love You Too

Have a wonderful day!