

Title: Contented Discontentment
(Phil 3:10-14)

“I cannot be Contented without being Discontented.”

I. Salvation: A Discontent with my Self Righteousness.

II. Separation: A Discontent with my Spiritual Growth

He says he is contented with what he has acquired, but he is not contented with what he has attained!

Attaining is more important than Obtaining

- a. We all need Goals – we have Career, Financial, family goals
- b. We need Spiritual goals – Bible Reading, Memory, Soul Winning, Giving,
- c. Goals should be progressive. No end point.
- d. We should be making new goals all the time
- e. *Illus:* *whats my goal for FBC, to go to the next level.*

III. Service: A Discontentment with My Efforts

He says he is contented with his surroundings, but he is not contented with what he has Accomplished.

1. Quit Being Satisfied!

- a. **Paul’s attitude was that he was not satisfied!**
- b. *I haven’t been everywhere I want to go yet.*
- c. *I haven’t preached all the sermons I want to preach.*
- d. *I haven’t witnessed to everyone I want to witness too.*
- e. *I haven’t started churches everywhere I wanted to.*
- f. *I haven’t won all the souls I want to win.*
- g. *I haven’t had all the victories I want yet.*

2. It will mean More Work!

- a. *Paul knew, if he did more, it meant more struggles, hardships, beatings, shipwrecks, Friends forsaking him, family turning on him. More Time, More Effort, more enemies, more tears, more jail time, more heartache.*

3. Don’t let handicaps steal you discontentment. *Well this is all I will ever be.*

- a. I’m a cripple, so was Jacob
- b. I can’t speak in front of people, neither could Moses.
- c. *Illus:* *Moses was a yankee with a terrible accent. I can prove it from scripture. Num 20:10 Hear now ye Rebels.*
- d. *FDR ran the country from a wheel chair.*

4. Don’t let age steal your discontentment

(Ps 92:12-15)

- a. *Illus:* *Old age starts at contentment.*

Are you satisfied with the kind of husband you are?

Are you satisfied with the kind of Wife you are?

Are you satisfied with the kind of Church member you are?

Are you satisfied with the kind of teacher you are?

Are you satisfied with the kind of soul winner you are?

Are you satisfied with the kind of fruit bearer you are?

Then what are you doing about it?

Are you satisfied?

Are you ready to meet the Lord.

Are you satisfied with your tally of fruit?

Are you old yet?

Don’t know what goals to set? – Ask me

Don’t know how – Let me help you!