

## The Secret of Contentment – Range Niau, September 12, 2021

**Philippians 4:12-13 NIV** <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.

### 1. Power & Perspective – Is Jesus the Lord of your life?

**Romans 10:9 NIV** If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

**Psalms 23:1 NIV** The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

### 2. Priorities & Practice

**Matthew 6:33 NIV** But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

**Philippians 4:4-5 NIV** <sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.

**Philippians 4:6-7 NIV** <sup>6</sup>Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**Philippians 4:8 NIV** Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

**Joshua 1:8 NIV** Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

### 3. Pass it on!

**Philippians 4:9 NIV** Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

**Philippians 4:19 NIV** And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

### 4. Pray out loud

**Philippians 1:9-11 NIV** <sup>9</sup>And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, <sup>10</sup>so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, <sup>11</sup>filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

**Philippians 4:23 NIV** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.