

The Secret of Being Content

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The secret to contentment is knowing how to be satisfied in all circumstances, looking forward to a heavenly home.

Scripture: Philippians 4:11

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Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes the importance of contentment in a Christian's life, asserting that true satisfaction comes not from worldly possessions but from a hope for eternal treasures in heaven. He reflects on the idea that while earthly goods may provide temporary comfort, they cannot fulfill the deeper longings of the soul. Brooks encourages believers to recognize their status as pilgrims on earth, longing for a better, heavenly home, and to adopt a mindset of hope for greater things beyond what the world offers.

Transcript

A man needs very little of this world's goods to carry him through his pilgrimage, until he comes to his home--until he comes to heaven.

A little will satisfy the demands of nature; though nothing will satisfy a man's lusts!

"I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. I know both how to have a little, and I know how to have a lot. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being content--whether well-fed or hungry, whether in abundance or in need." Philippians 4:11-12

A Christian, in the midst of all his worldly delights, comforts,

and entertainments, says, "Oh these are not the delights, the comforts, the contentments which my soul looks for, which my soul expects and hopes to enjoy. I look and hope . . . for choicer delights, for sweeter comforts, for more satisfying contentments, for more durable riches!

A Christian's motto always is, or always should be, "I hope for better things! I hope for better things than any the world can give to me, or than any that Satan can take from me!"

"They admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth. Instead, they were longing for a better country --a heavenly one." Hebrews 11:13, 16

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