

## **PART 6 - MOVING INTO YOUR FINANCIAL PRIME**

### **Philippians 4:10-20**

*Give, and it will be given to you; a good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be poured into your lap. For with the measure that you use, it will be measured back to you (Luke 6:38).*

What are the signs of financial maturity? What are the symptoms of financial freedom? What is the evidence that you are moving into your financial prime?

#### **1. A CONCERN FOR OTHERS**

*I rejoice greatly in the Lord that at last you've renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned before but you had no opportunity to show it (Philippians 4:10)*

Give because you love and are genuinely concerned for the welfare of others.

#### **2. CONTENTMENT WITH THINGS**

*I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances (Philippians 4:11).*

##### **1. Contentment can be learned.**

*I'm not saying this because I am in need. For I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances (Philippians 4:11)*

##### **2. Contentment does not depend on circumstances.**

*I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances (Philippians 4:11)*

##### **3. Our contentment level is lower than we think.**

*I know what it is to be in need and I know what it is to have plenty and 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 (Philippians 4:12)*

*If we have food and clothing we will be content with that (1 Timothy 6:8)*

##### **4. Contentment is dependent on Christ.**

*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Philippians 4:13)*

#### **3. A COMMITMENT TO GIVE.**

a. Mature Christians give when they become aware of a need.

*You gave to me in my troubles (Philippians 4:14)*

2. Mature Christians give even if no-one else gives.

*No other church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving. You're the only one (Philippians 4:15)*

3. Mature Christians give - and then they give again.

*Again and again you gave to meet my needs (Philippians 4:16)*

#### **WHAT NOW?**

God's riches are not an invitation to luxury. They're an opportunity for generosity.