

## Growth Group Questions – 10/10/2021 – Jack Kapinga

1) Why do you think it is that as Christians we have so much to rejoice in and be thankful for, but yet we can be so unhappy?

*Read Philippians 4:10-23.*

2) In this final passage Paul describes 2 attitudes that can further heighten our rejoicing and boost our joy, that is Contentment in ourselves and Concern for others. What do you think it means to be Content? How can it boost our joy?

3) Why does Paul say that he has 'learned to be content' and that he has 'learned the secret of being content'? What's the connection to Christian maturity?

4) How do the things Paul had experienced, and continued to experience, make his Contentment in this letter all the more amazing (see 2 Cor 11:23b-28)? Why is the issue of Contentment also relevant for those who are rich and have plenty?

5) Why is verse 13 so important when we think about this (and what's the problem with taking this verse out of context)?

6) What does Paul say in this passage about the Philippians' Concern for him?

7) How could that Concern boost both Paul's joy and their own?

8) How are you able to show your Concern for overseas, national and more local Christian missionaries and ministries? How could you do more?

9) How can we show a higher level of Concern, support and encouragement for those who work hard for the sake of the gospel in our own Church?

10) What has this passage taught you about how Contentment and Concern can give you even Deeper Joy?