

**Charis Christian Centre
KOINOS LESSON 2009**

Prayer Pointers:-

1. Some countries are hard hit by the financial turmoil.
-pray that in the midst of hopelessness, many will find Jesus.
-pray that as people seek God, divine answers will come.
2. Pray for our church Emphasis for 2009 - "Spread Out, Think Big, Lets' Grow."
-Pray for Goal No:1 - "To disciple the People to understand the Word, knowing how to apply it to contemporary issues and daily life, growing in the Lord."
3. Pray for our families whom we will meet during the coming Chinese New Year.
-God's love and salvation will touch them.
-2009 will be the year of salvation for our families.
-Journey mercies for all of us who are travelling.

BOOK OF PHILIPPIANS. – LESSON 12

**SCRIPTURES TO READ:- PHILIPPIANS 4:10-23
LESSON TO BE LEARNT: "THE SECRET OF CONTENTMENT."**

Are you a thermometer or a thermostat? What's the difference? A thermometer registers the temperature. It does not change anything around it. Instead, it is being changed! A thermostat regulates the surroundings and changes them when they need to be changed.

The apostle Paul was a thermostat. Instead of having spiritual ups and downs as the situation changed, he went right on steadily doing his work, serving Jesus. His personal references at the close of the letter indicate that he do not see himself a victim of circumstances but the victor. How did he become so steady and contented in the midst of such turmoil? In this passage, Paul named three wonderful spiritual resources that made us adequate and give us contentment.

- A. Philippians 4:10 – The Surety of the Providence of God.
In these days of scientific achievements, we hear less of testimonies of the providence of God. We take things for granted that it is there for our taking!

In verse 10, Paul 'rejoiced greatly in the Lord.'" Why was he rejoicing? Was it because he was blessed with material things?

Life is not a series of 'accidents'. It is a series of divine guidance and providence. Please read.

- Psalm 32:8.

When a person is assured that God always provides, he will live peaceably and contented.

