

Cross

Fellowship Church

God-Centered Contentment and Kingdom-Driven Generosity

Philippians 4:10-23 | May 20, 2012 | John Crawford

God-Centered Contentment...

We are to be content no matter our financial situation. (4:10-13)

- The Reason for Paul's Joy:
 - Not because of their gift to him.
 - Because of their concern for him.
- The Scope of Paul's Contentment:
 - Content in times of plenty.
 - Content in times of need.
- The Explanation of Paul's Secret:
 - This verse is not a reference to being victorious.
 - This verse is not a reference to unlimited physical, intellectual or spiritual ability.
 - This verse is a reference to Paul's secret to contentment.
- The Application for our Lives:
 - For those in need...
 - For those with plenty..
 - ▶ Is your contentment found in your stuff or in Jesus?
 - ▶ What does discontentment reveal about your heart?
 - ▶ What do your words tell about the contentment of your heart?
 - ▶ When you lack contentment do you know how to defeat it with a superior satisfaction?

Kingdom-Driven Generosity...

When we give there are greater kingdom purposes being accomplished that just the meeting of physical needs. (4:14-20)

- When we give we express our selfless humble concern for others.
- When we give it results in increased spiritual fruit.
 - The fruit of righteousness
 - The fruit of evangelism
- When we give God is worshiped and pleased.
- When we give God shows Himself as generous and is greatly glorified.

The God-Glorifying Purpose ...

- As we find our contentment in Christ He is seen as all-sufficient and all-satisfying.
- As we selflessly and sacrificially give to meet the needs of others then God is glorified and worshiped.

Welcome to Cross Fellowship Church!

We are grateful that you have come to worship with us today. If you are a first time visitor we are so glad you are here today and pray that you feel welcome. Below you'll find a list of activities we have coming up.

Memorial Day Cookout at the Crawford's

On Monday, May 28th, at noon come over to the Crawford's for a cookout. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and all the fixin's will be provided. Those with last names beginning with A-R please bring drinks or dessert and S-Z bring a side dish. Also bring along your favorite outdoor game, ball or activity and we will head over to the Middle School fields across the street for some fun!

Nall Hills Neighborhood Garage Sale

On June 13-16 the Nall Hills Neighborhood Association is having their annual neighborhood garage sale. The Taylor's and the Crawford's will both be hosting one at their home. This is a great opportunity to better get to know those within our neighborhood as well as raise money for our upcoming mission trips. If you are interested in helping either by donating items, pricing or just being available to help the day of the garage sales then please contact Eric Taylor or John Crawford.

Upcoming Mission Trips

As a church we want to take serious Jesus' command "to make disciples of all nations." Therefore, we have two upcoming mission trips that are on the calendar.

- We are taking a small group of four to Southeast Asia from August 27 to September 5. The focus of the trip will be to explore the possibility of adopting an unreached Muslim people group in this region. For more information please contact John Crawford at john.crawford@crossfellowshipchurch.org.
- In November we are taking a group to Southern Sudan to help strengthen an existing church and start new ones where no church currently exists. You will have the opportunity to share the gospel, disciple believers and encourage church leaders. The dates for the trip are November 4th through the 16th. For more information contact Jared Chasteen at jared.chasteen@crossfellowshipchurch.org.

Discipleship Communities

Discipleship Communities are one of the primary vehicles at Cross Fellowship Church for living out our mission of "making disciples." Each group meets during the week on a regular basis in someone's home. If you are interested in visiting a Discipleship Community please stop by the Information Table in the lobby for a list of groups, meeting locations and times or contact Eric Taylor at eric.taylor@crossfellowshipchurch.org.

Contact Us

If you have any questions about our church or would like any further information then we'd love to hear from you.

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