



Discussion Guide:

Money talks #3: **contentment**

(this discussion guide is designed to be used after listening to the talk to help with further reflection & application. You can download the talk from alburychurch.org.au)

In the talk we moved fairly quickly over some teaching from the apostle Paul in Philippians on contentment. In this study we'll retrace that teaching with a bit more time for you to reflect.

1. the secret of being content

- Read Philippians 4:10-20

How is it that in spite of his circumstances the apostle knows contentment?

2. the conviction of contentment

- Read Philippians 3:7-11

What conviction drives the apostle's contentment?

3. the discontent of contentment

- Read Philippians 3:12-14

What discontent does the apostle have? What would this discontentment look like in your life?

4. the prayer of contentment

- Read Philippians 4:4-7

What is the place of prayer in the contented life?

5. the mind of contentment

- Read Philippians 4:8-9

What is the link between right thinking & contentment?

For further reflection

What are the biggest challenges to your godly contentment? How might you meet them?

Use Agur's prayer in Proverbs 30.7-9 to help guide your own prayerful response.

- A recommended book to read: **Beyond Greed** by Brian Rosner available from matthiasmedia.com.au.

