

Women's Bible Study Discussion Questions

Philippians 4:10-23

1. In verse 10, Paul thanks the Philippians for their financial gifts. In verse 15, the Philippians were the only “ministry partner” Paul had when he began his ministry. Now he writes to them from a Roman jail. What does their renewed support tell you about the Philippians’ regard for Paul?
2. In verses 11-13, Paul states that he has learned to be content in all situations. What temptations can rock us out of a state of contentment when we face times of trial or want? What temptations can we face in times of plenty or prosperity? What is the secret that Paul has learned in all these circumstances?
3. The International Children’s Bible translates verse 17 as, “Really, it is not that I want to receive gifts from you. But I want you to have the good that comes from giving.” What good do we get from giving? Who has God put into your life that is in need? What would it look like for you to partner with them and show concern for them?
4. Why does Paul call their gift “a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God?” Was it a gift to Paul or to God? How might this expanded perspective influence someone’s giving?
5. How does it affect you to think of God’s provision for you as glorious riches (v. 19)? Share with your group how God has generously provided for you.