



Industriousness with Contentment

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Industriousness

Ephesians 4:28 Let him who steals steal no longer; but rather let him labor, performing with his own hands what is good, in order that he may have *something* to share with him who has need.

Ephesians 6:5 Slaves, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in the sincerity of your heart, as to Christ;

⁶ not by way of eye service, as men-pleasers, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart.

⁷ With good will render service, as to the Lord, and not to men,

⁸ knowing that whatever good thing each one does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether slave or free.

⁹ And, masters, do the same things to them, and give up threatening, knowing that both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no partiality with Him.

Colossians 3:22 Slaves, in all things obey those who are your masters on earth, not with external service, as those who *merely* please men, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord.

²³ Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men;

²⁴ knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.

1 Peter 2:18 Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable.

¹⁹ For this *finds* favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a man bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly.

²⁰ For what credit is there if, when you sin and are harshly treated, you endure it with patience? But if when you do what is right and suffer *for it* you patiently endure it, this *finds* favor with God.

²¹ For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps,

²² who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth;

²³ and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting *Himself* to Him who judges righteously;

²⁴ and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross...

1 Timothy 6

Let all who are under the yoke as slaves regard their own masters
as worthy of all honor

so that the name of God and *our* doctrine may not be spoken against.

²And

let those who have believers as their masters not be disrespectful to them
because they are brethren,

but

let them serve them all the more,

because those who partake of the benefit are believers and beloved.

Teach and preach these *principles*.

³If anyone
advocates a different doctrine,
and
does not agree with sound words,
those of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and
with the doctrine conforming to godliness,

⁴he is conceited *and* understands nothing;

but

he has a morbid interest

in

controversial questions

and

disputes about words,

out of which arise

envy, strife, abusive language, evil suspicions,

⁵and

constant friction

between men of depraved mind and deprived of the truth,

who suppose that godliness is a means of gain.

⁶But

godliness *actually* is a means of great gain,

when accompanied by contentment

⁷For

we have brought nothing into the world,

so

we cannot take anything out of it either.

⁸And

if we have food and covering,

with these we shall be content.

⁹But

those who want to get rich fall

into

temptation

and

a snare

and

many foolish and harmful desires

which plunge men into ruin and destruction.

¹⁰For

the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil,

and

some

by longing for it

have

wandered away from the faith,

and
pierced themselves with many a pang.

¹¹But
flee from these things, you man of God;
and
pursue
righteousness,
godliness,
faith,
love,
perseverance
and
gentleness.

Contentment

Luke 3:14 And *some* soldiers were questioning him, saying, "And *what about* us, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Do not take money from anyone by force, or accuse *anyone* falsely, and be content with your wages."

Hebrews 13:5 Let your character be free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, "I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you,"
⁶ so that we confidently say, "The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid. What shall man do to me?"

Philippians 2:5 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,
⁶ who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,
⁷ but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, *and* being made in the likeness of men.
⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
⁹ Therefore ...

Philippians 2:17 But even if I am being poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice and share my joy with you all.
¹⁸ And you too, *I urge you*, rejoice in the same way and share your joy with me.

Philippians 3:12 ...one thing *I do*: forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead,
¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.
¹⁵ Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, have this attitude; and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal that also to you;

Philippians 4:11 ...I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am.
¹² I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need.
¹³ I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

All scripture is from the NASV. 1Timothy 6:1-11 is in the form of a phrase-by-phrase breakdown. The words and word order have not been changed in any passage.