

When Living Means Christ
Philippians 1:21; 4:4-13

When Living Means Christ We Have Joy – Phil 4:4

- A holy gladness rooted in the unseen things of God – Ps 16:11
- The witness of joy is upon the surrendered life – Jo 15:11; Jo 10:30
 - ...a right relationship to God – Lk 10:20; Lk 15; 1 Pet 1:6-8
 - ...self-expenditure for others – Phil 2:17

When Living Means Christ We Have Peace – Phil 4:6-9

- “Shalom”: the Hebrew concept of wellness/wholeness – Jo 14:27; 16:33
 - ...We have peace with God... the peace of God; peace with ourselves – Ro 5:1; Phil 4:7; Ro 15:7
- The witness of joy is upon the single-minded – Phil 4:6-7
 - ...a face-to-faceness with God – Phil 4:6
 - ...through thanksgiving, prayer, and setting our minds on the things above – Phil 4:6,7,8

When Living Means Christ We Have Contentment – Phil 4:11-12

- The secret to contentment is in the contents, not the context – Phil 4:12-13,19
 - ...the secret is not in abounding or abasing, but in abiding – Jo 15:1-11; 11 Pet 1:3-4
- The witness of contentment is upon the life that seeks God first – Matt 6:33

When Living Means Christ We Have Strength – Phil 4:13; Eph 6:10

- The power to live in a godly fashion for any contingency – 1 Cor 1:18; Ro 6:4
- The witness of strength is upon the life centered in Christ – Phil 4:13
 - ...we become Jesus strong! – 11 Cor 12:10; Eph 1:19