

Book:	Philippians
Series:	Rejoice in the Lord!
Lesson 14:	The Joy of Christian Benevolence
Text:	Philippians 4:10-23 (Part 2)
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Next Lesson:	Combined ABF (Resolution Sunday)

INTRODUCTION

The theme of Philippians 4:10-20 is Christian benevolence, or meeting physical needs within the household of faith. In a phrase, these verses exhort us to *seek the joy of Christian benevolence*. Paul uses the physical fellowship (as in material, not conversational) between himself and the Philippian believers to call us to Christian benevolence and to model two spiritual ingredients that contribute to its achievement.

THE ONE IN NEED: _____ (vv. 10-13, 17)

THE ONE MEETING THE NEED: _____ (vv. 14-20)

1. The _____ to sharing (vv. 15-16, 19)

a. _____ — sharing may be _____
(v. 15).

b. _____ — sharing may be _____
(v. 16).

c. _____ — sharing may be _____
(v. 19).

2. The _____ of sharing (vv. 17-20)

a. The needy is _____ (v. 18a).

b. The giver is _____ (vv. 17, 19).

c. The Lord is _____ (vv. 18b, 20).