"Contentment In Your Soul" By Pastor Bill Hayden 5/29/2024

One of the major challenges in life is to capture that elusive spirit called contentment. Life is ever-changing, as one day is overtaken by the next. Is it possible to believe that we can find and capture contentment? Some would say you are fickle to believe anyone can achieve a state of contentment.

People believe that if they had a certain amount of money and no bills, they would be content. After they have purchased and accomplished all the things they had hoped to acquire with financial security, they suddenly discover that they have a major health problem.

Over time, you learn that being human has its challenges and that trying to attain contentment can be a vicious cycle that never ends. Some people have restlessness in their spirits, and nothing seems to satisfy their longing.

The results of their quest leave a lot of collateral damage and loss in their professional, personal, and spiritual well-being.

Contentment comes out of gratitude, especially when you know that everything is going to work out for your good. Some things in life seem to be in question, by all appearances, as to how 'good' can result from a 'major setback.

Contentment doesn't mean that you are in control and you can make things happen in your favor. Conversely, contentment is knowing that God surrounds you with His love even when storms and tragedies occur in life. People who have lost everything in floods, fires, and storms have survived with a strong resolve that things will work for their good.

Hold on to this profound statement: Romans 8:28 NKJV: "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." Therefore, contentment and Godliness are great gains!

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