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Nurturing Godly Aspiration and Grateful Contentment

“What Can Go Wrong with Contentment?”

Philippians 4:11-13; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-12; 2 Kings 20:19; Romans 12:9

A Short-sighted Ruler. 2 Kings 20:19.

Take a Closer look at What Can Go Wrong with Contentment.
Or, How Can Contentment Go Astray?

I. _____ . 2 Thessalonians 3:6-12

1. Contentment without godly _____ can turn into sloth.
2. Grateful contentment still requires us to _____ hard. 2 Thessalonians 3:6-12

II. _____ . Back to 2 Kings 20:19.

Grateful contentment without godly aspiration can lead to _____ or apathy. 2 Kings 20:19.

III. Instability and Emotional _____. Romans 12:9: “Let love be without hypocrisy.”

Take it home (applications).

I. We must not let aspiration become _____ and self-directed.

II. We must not allow contentment to become _____ and confining.

III. The formation of such _____ works over a lifetime both by the nurture of our most important human relationships and by the grace of God.