

Philp 4:12-13  
"With Christ We Can"

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## Notes: 1. Introduction

- a. Difficult times during Covid times
- b. How does Christian move forward in difficult times?
  - In human terms, we don't know future
- c. Paul faced many difficult times
  - difficulties in ministry
  - difficulties in prison
  - Letter to Philippi written from Roman prison

- t. God is provider (giver) of strength
  - Gal 2:20 But Christ lives in me

## 2. Attitude of Christian Faith

- a. Power of Biblical thinking - <sup>1 Cor</sup> 15:57
- b. Positive attitude
  - "I can do..."
  - Rom 8:37 we are more than conquerors
  - Give positive encouragement
  - And God is still on His throne
- c. Powerful attitude
  - Paul lived <sup>in</sup> daily grace of God
  - x Philp 4:12 whether full or hungry, whether having much or in need

## 2b (cont) Powerful attitude

- Philp 4:11 Paul content in any condition
- Contentment is Christian grace
- Philp 4:14 church shared Paul's distress
  - x ministry costing nothing accomplishes nothing
  - x 2 Cor 4:8-9 Paul's many troubles
  - x 2 Cor 4:10 that Jesus revealed in us
- Rom 8:28 All things work together
- Believe that God is able, God can do

## 3. Action of Christian Faith

- \* MK 10:27 all things possible with God
- a. God specializes in the impossible
  - LK 1:37 Nothing impossible with God
- b. Christians shall be witnesses
  - Acts 1:8 You shall be witnesses everywhere
  - speaking with boldness
    - x Acts 4:13 disciples bold in preaching
    - x Acts 4:29 praying to speak with boldness
    - x Acts 4:31 filled with Holy Spirit & spoke Word of God with boldness
    - x Col. 4:2-3 praying for open door to speak God's Word
    - x Eph 6:18-19 praying that Paul boldly open his mouth
  - 1 Tim 4:12 be example of the believers
  - Witnessing starts with series of questions

## 4. Access of Christian Faith

- a. Divine (heavenly) enablement
  - 2 Cor 12:9 - God's grace sufficient
  - x God's strength perfect in weakness
  - God never wastes Christian trials
- b. Christian redeemed through Christ's blood
  - x Rom 5:7-10 \* God showed His love
  - \* Christ died for us while we sinners
  - \* while we enemies, God reconciled us by death of Jesus
- c. Christian empowered through Spirit
  - God equipped Christian with Holy Spirit
  - Jn 14:16-17 Helper Spirit of Truth
  - Jn 14:26 Helper will teach all things
  - Jn 15:26 Comforter testifies of Jesus
  - Jn 16:13-14 Spirit of Truth will guide
  - LK 24:49 Promise of the Father given power
  - Acts 2:33 promise of the Holy Spirit