

All-Round Christianity

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: Philippians 4:10-13.

B. Paul preaches all-around Christianity.

II. All-round life.

A. We are to rejoice in the Lord always.

1. This is not avoiding responsibility.
2. This truth must not be undermined by experience.
3. To rejoice in the Lord always one must understand that the Lord is Lord, he is at hand and he will ultimately triumph.
4. We are only allowed to experience those things, which we can handle.

B. We are to treat all men with respect.

1. Christianity is so radical that we can treat all with respect and rejoice always.
2. We ought to treat all with respect because God made all people, and the Spirit of God is striving for all men.

C. Do not be full of cares for any single thing, but be full of prayer.

1. We are to present our needs to God with a worshipful attitude.
2. We are to come to God with a needy attitude.
3. We are to present our needs in a thankful attitude.

III. All-round security.

A. God will put peace around us like a garrison when we are related to him rightly.

B. The peace of God is consciousness of divine resources.

C. The peace of God is a consciousness of divine restraint. Our heart will be guarded against evil.

IV. All-round Lord.

Application questions:

1. Why is it so challenging to treat all with respect?

2. How can one rejoice in the Lord even in times of great sadness?

3. What is the peace of God? Why is it important to have proper expectations concerning God's peace?
