

SO YOU ARE SATISFIED

And what does that prove?

- ✓ The rich man was satisfied, but God called him a fool and required his soul that same night (Luke 12:16-21). His being satisfied did not make his life right before God.
- ✓ The church in Laodicea was satisfied to the point of saying, “I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing.” The Lord regarded them as “wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked” (Rev. 3:17-18). That shows how wrong a satisfied person or church can be.
- ✓ The Pharisee who went into the temple to pray was satisfied and glad that he was not like the publican. The publican was so dissatisfied with himself that he cried, “God, be merciful to me a sinner.” Jesus said the humble publican went down to his house justified, but the self-righteous Pharisee found no such justification.

There are some things with which the heavenly Father is *never* satisfied:

- ✓ He is not pleased with religious systems planted by men (Matt. 15:13).
- ✓ He is not pleased with those who do not obey the gospel (2 Thess. 1:7-9).
- ✓ He is not satisfied when men worship in whatever way they choose (Mk. 7:7).
- ✓ He is not pleased when men preach to please men (Gal. 1:8-10).
- ✓ He is not pleased when we love worldly things (1 Jn. 2:15).

We should not deceive ourselves into thinking that God is satisfied just because we are.

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