

BECAUSE OF JESUS...
I CAN BE CONTENT!

NEEDS VS. WANTS!

It isn't bad to want things, unless we want a lot more than we need (Jesus calls that greed and warns us about it in Luke 12:15). Understanding the difference between our needs and wants will help us learn about contentment. Consider the things in the word box below. Place them in the appropriate category. **(Teachers, consider printing out the words below - or use pictures - and have your class complete the activity together on the floor or the wall. Promote discussion among the kids!)**

- **FOOD**
- **CLOTHING**
- **VIDEO GAMES**
- **A HOME**
- **BOOKS**
- **FRIENDS**
- **TEACHERS**
- **TOYS**
- **LOVE**
- **A BED**
- **A BIKE**
- **A TROPHY**
- **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**
- **MY OWN ROOM**
- **TV**
- **REST**
- **TRANSPORTATION**
- **JOY**
- **A PET**
- **SPORTS**

NEEDS:

WANTS:

Thank Jesus for suppling your needs!

Maybe he's even blessed you with more than you need, don't forget to thank Him!

If there are things you need that you don't have, have you asked Jesus to provide them?

Don't forget to pray and ask God!

STUDY...

Paul prayed and asked God to supply all his needs. However, Paul also learned that even when his needs in this world weren't met, he could still trust that Jesus was meeting his most important need: the promise of everlasting life in the Kingdom of God! As Paul learned to rely on Jesus, he considered the things of this world to be less and less important to him. **Read Philippians 3:8**