

Quartus & Me

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It seems we are always wanting more. No matter the subject, and no matter how much we already have, we always seem to want more. But when is enough, enough? Can we be content with "enough"?

Is it enough to have a car, or must we have the latest model? Is it enough to have a house, or must we have a "nice" house? Is it enough to clothe ourselves and our children, or must we have a certain brand of clothing? Is it enough to meet our financial obligations, or must we have additional money to "play" with? Is it enough to be a servant of God, or must we be in the spotlight?

It's really this last point I want you to consider. Here's where the title of this article comes to play. Have you ever heard of Quartus? He's probably unknown to you by name, but he's mentioned in the Bible. What the Bible records about him is not remarkable. He had no particular fame. He didn't slay a giant or survive a fiery furnace. In fact, I know of nothing that this man did that would cause him to be remembered. But here's what the Bible says about him, "Gaius, my host and the host of the whole church greets you. Erastus, the treasurer of the city greets you, and Quartus, a brother " (Romans 16:23).

Did you catch that? "Quartus, a brother." Nothing more; just a brother. But that's enough, isn't it? Whatever else I may or may not be able to achieve in life, if I can just be remembered as "a brother in Christ," it will be enough!