

Sermon Notes:

Happy And You Know It -Or Do You?

What Makes You Happy? -part 2
April 30, 2017

Philippians 1:12-26

Intro: Happiness is not based on what happens. Deep, meaningful happiness is the result of a life well-lived.

TO EXPERIENCE DEEP MEANINGFUL HAPPINESS...

1. DON'T RELY ON **CIRCUMSTANCES**.

*"I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that **what has happened to me** has actually served to advance the gospel." - **Philippians 1:12** (NIV)*

*"Through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ **what has happened to me** will turn out for my deliverance."
- **Philippians 1:19** (NIV)*

*"As a result, it has become clear throughout **the whole palace guard** and to **everyone else** that I am in chains for Christ." - **Philippians 1:13** (NIV)*

2. AVOID **COMPARISONS**.

*"It is true that some preach Christ out of **envy and rivalry**, but others out of **goodwill**."
- **Philippians 1:15** (NIV)*

*"The former preach Christ out of **selfish ambition**, not sincerely, supposing that they can **stir up trouble for me** while I am in chains."
- **Philippians 1:17** (NIV)*

*"But **what does it matter?** The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, **Christ is preached**. And because of this **I rejoice**."
- **Philippians 1:18** (NIV)*

3. BE **FULLY ENGAGED** IN LIFE.

*"I **eagerly expect and hope** that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that **now as always** Christ will be exalted."
- **Philippians 1:20** (NIV)*

*"For to me, **to live is Christ** and to die is gain." - **Philippians 1:21** (NIV)*

*"I know that I will **remain**, and I will **continue** with all of you **for your progress and joy** in the faith."
- **Philippians 1:25** (NIV)*