How to Be Joyful, NO MATTER WHAT

How to Enjoy the Rest of Your Life - Part 2

Philippians 1:12-21

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Philippians 1:18 ***"…I rejoice…and I will continue to rejoice."***

THE FOUR ESSENTIALS OF JOYFUL LIVING

I. I NEED A _____ TO LIVE FROM

Paul's view of his circumstances:

"Now I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel." Philippians 1:12

LESSON #1: GOD HAS _____ BEHIND EVERY ONE OF MY PROBLEMS

When I face problems joyfully

IT IS A _____ TO UNBELIEVERS

"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

IT IS _____TO BELIEVERS

"Because of my chains, most of the brothers in the Lord have been encouraged to speak the word of God more courageously and fearlessly." Philippians 1:14

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28

II. I NEED A _____ TO LIVE BY

Paul's response to his critics:

"*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

LESSON #2: FOCUS ON WHAT REALLY _____

III. I NEED A _____ TO LIVE ON

Paul's source of strength:

"… I will continue to rejoice, for I know that through your prayers and the help given by the Spirit of Jesus Christ, what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed…"
Philippians 1:19-20

LESSON #3: WITH GOD'S POWER _____ CAN DEVASTATE ME

IV. I NEED A _____ TO LIVE FOR

Paul's reason for living:

"For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain."
Philippians 1:21

"Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:13-14

LESSON #4:

Jesus **First**
Others **Second**
Yourself **Third**