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“KEEPING JOY IN YOUR LIFE”

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HOW TO KEEP JOY IN MY LIFE!

Philippians 3:1: *"Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord! It is no trouble for me to write the same thing to you again, and it is a safeguard for you."*

1. Resist LEGALISTIC ATTITUDES

Philippians 3:2-3 (TEV): *"Watch out for those who do evil things, those dogs, those who insist on cutting the body. It is we, not they, who have received the true circumcision, for we worship God by means of his Spirit and rejoice in our life in union with Christ Jesus. We do not put any trust in external ceremonies."*

SAFETY MEASURE #1: LIVE EACH DAY IN GOD'S GRACE.

Philippians 3:4-6: *"though I myself have reasons for such confidence. If anyone else thinks he has reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for legalistic righteousness, faultless."*

I AM FALLING INTO THE TRAP OF LEGALISM...

1. When I trust in RITUALS.

"I was circumcised on the eighth day of the people of Israel."

2. When I trust in the FAMILY TREE.

"I was of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin."

3. When I trust in RELIGION.

"I was a Hebrew of Hebrews"

4. When I trust in RULES.

"In regard to the law, I was a Pharisee."

5. When I trust in REPUTATION.

"As for zeal and legalistic righteousness, I was faultless."

2. Reconsider where you are INVESTING YOUR ATTENTION.

Philippians 3: 7-8: *"But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ"*

SAFETY MEASURE #2: Keep Your PRIORITIES IN PERSPECTIVE.

Luke 12:15(NIV): *"Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed. A man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."*

3. Refocus YOUR GOALS

Philippians 3:10: *"I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in His suffering, becoming like Him in His death."*

John 3:30 (NIV): *"He must become greater, I must become lesser."*

Philippians 3:10 (AMP): *"For my determined purpose is that I may know Christ -- that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding Him more strongly and more clearly."*

SAFETY MEASURE #3: Never stop getting to know JESUS CHRIST.

HOW DO I GET TO KNOW GOD IN AN INTIMATE WAY?

TIME.

TALK.

TRUST.

Psalm 27:4–6 (NIV84): *“One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.”*

Psalm 27: 5: *“For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his tabernacle and set me high upon a rock.”*

Psalm 27:6: *“Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his tabernacle will I sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the Lord.”*