

SERMON NOTES

Series: Joy No Matter What

Title: Don't Worry Be Happy (2)

Text: Philippians 1:19-30

**Topic: How to be Happy
No Matter What**

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“If by continuing to live I can do more worthwhile work for Christ, then I’m not sure which I should choose... I’m pulled in two directions. I want very much to leave this life and be with Christ, which is a far better thing; but for your sake it’s much more important that I remain alive” I am sure of this and so I know I must stay on with you all, so that I can add to your progress and your joy in the faith.” (22-25)

He doesn’t just have a purpose for living. He’s got a purpose for **dying**.

Our purpose for living: To **serve God** by serving others. Our purpose in dying: To **glorify God**.

The reason why so many people are unhappy is because they think that happiness comes from **self-gratification**.

How would you fill in the blank? “For me to live is _____.”

1. LOOK AT EVERY PROBLEM FROM GOD’S VIEWPOINT.

2. DON’T LET OTHERS CONTROL YOUR ATTITUDE.

3. TRUST GOD TO **WORK THINGS OUT.** (19-20)

When you’re going through a problem you’ve got two options. You can **worship** or you can **worry**.

“I will continue to rejoice” Make the choice to rejoice!

for I know that as you pray for me and as the Spirit of Jesus Christ helps me, all that’s happened will all turn out for my deliverance.” Philippians 1:19

In this one verse Paul gives four sources of strength in tough times.

1. **Perspective**
2. **Prayer**
3. a **Partner**
4. **Power**

4. FOCUS ON YOUR **PURPOSE, NOT YOUR PROBLEM** (21-25)

Paul’s purpose: Serving God by serving others.

Make the Choice to Rejoice!