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PHILIPPIANS

#JOY in our work

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FOUR WAYS TO FIND JOY AT WORK:

1. TAKE A GENUINE INTEREST IN OTHERS

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a) Most people's focus at work is...

- How am I going to get this done?
- How am I going to get that corner office?
- How am I going to get the credit?
- How am I going to get ahead?

Memory Verse:

*Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus. ~ **Philippians 2:4-5a***

*Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us.
~ **2 Corinthian 5:20***

2. IF YOU WANT TO HAVE MORE JOY AT YOUR JOB, FIND A MENTOR YOU CAN LEARN FROM

*But you know Timothy's **proven worth**, how as a son with a father he has served with me in the gospel. ~ **Philippians 2:22***

3. SERVING OTHERS IS THE GATEWAY TO A JOYFUL WORK EXPERIENCE

*I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus my **brother** and **fellow worker** and **fellow soldier**, and your messenger and minister to my need.
~ **Philippians 2:25-26***

4. HONORING YOUR BOSS WILL BRING YOU JOY

*For he has been longing for you all and has been distressed because you heard that he was ill. ²⁷ Indeed he was ill, near to death. But God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow. ²⁸ I am the more eager to send him, therefore, that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious. ~ **Philippians 2:26-28***

Welcome him in the Lord's love and with great joy, and give him the honor that people like him deserve. ³⁰ For he risked his life for the work of Christ, and he was at the point of death while doing for me what you couldn't do from far away. ~ **Philippians 2:29-30**

Next Steps:

- Become a follower of Jesus
- Memorize Philippians 2:4-5a
- Fill out your digital Connect Card
- Honor God in you giving
- Invite a friend to join us in person or online for next week's service.