

HOW TO

Increase Your Joy



PHILIPPIANS 1:12-30
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Introduction

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OUR VISION:

To raise up anointed disciple-makers who are empowered to change their world for Christ.

**2022 - OUR YEAR OF
SUPERNATURAL
INCREASE**

Genesis 26:12 (ESV)

12 And Isaac sowed in that land and reaped in the same year a hundredfold. The Lord blessed him,

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Increase Your Joy
BY CELEBRATING
EVERY OPPORTUNITY
NO MATTER
HOW IT COMES

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Philippians 1:12-14 NKJV

But I want you to know, brethren, that the things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel, so that it has become evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that my chains are in Christ; and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

A. Prisoner – Paul longed to go to Rome as a Preacher but went as a Prisoner

B. Passion – The power of the Gospel gave Paul the Passion for the Gospel

C. Problems – The great commission can bring great conflict

D. Perspective – Paul saw his confinement as his assignment and the prison as his pulpit

Paul's prison ministry impacted the Palace guard, Roman citizens and it strengthened the timid believers

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BY FOCUSING ON
THE GOOD YOU SEE
IN PEOPLE
AND NOT THE BAD

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Philippians 1:15-18 NKJV

Some indeed preach Christ even from envy and strife, and some also from goodwill: The former preach Christ from selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my chains; but the latter out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the gospel. What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is preached; and in this I rejoice, yes, and will rejoice.

Philippians 1:1 (ESV)

- A. **Address the bad** (envy, strife, selfish ambition, malice, pretense)
- B. **Commend the good** (goodwill, love, truth)
- C. **Don't major on the minor** The power of the Gospel is in the message and not the messenger

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BY FOCUSING ON WHAT
YOU KNOW BASED ON
GOD'S PROMISES
IN SCRIPTURE

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Philippians 1:19-21 NKJV

For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

A. Confidence - (based on prayer and spiritual providence)

B. Hope - my tomorrow is better

C. Life - life happens even in death

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BY LIVING
ON EARTH WITH
A HEAVENLY FOCUS

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Philippians 1:22-26 NKJV

But if I live on in the flesh, this will mean fruit from my labor; yet what I shall choose I cannot tell. For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you. And being confident of this, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of faith, that your rejoicing for me may be more abundant in Jesus Christ by my coming to you again.

- A. Debate** – Do I count my days or make my days count?
- B. Desire** – To be with Christ which is far better
- C. Decision** – What God wants and what is helpful to you

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BY STAYING PREPARED
TO OVERCOME
ANY ADVERSITY



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Philippians 1:27-30 NKJV

Only let your conduct be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel, and not in any way terrified by your adversaries, which is to them a proof of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that from God. For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake, having the same conflict which you saw in me and now hear is in me.

Philippians 1:1 (ESV)

- A. **Conduct** – conduct worthy of the gospel
- B. **Cooperation** – stand fast in one spirit, striving together
- C. **Confidence** – don't be terrified by your adversaries
- D. **Conflict** – be ready to face and conquer conflicts

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Conclusion



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