

SERMON SERIES: MORE THAN HAPPY

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Key Line

The source of our joy awakens our soul through service.

Introduction

While happiness is temporary, joy is a gift from God that runs deeper. This week we will talk about the source of our joy that awakens our soul through service. Are you more of a 'Here I am!' or 'There you are!' kind of person?

Seek the Word

Read Philippians 2:1-4

- Paul is telling the Philippians that if your relationship with Jesus means anything then work together.
- What does it mean to do NOTHING out of selfish ambition or vain conceit?
- How can we humbly value others above ourselves?
- How can we look to the interests of others?

Read Philippians 2:5-11

- What mindset did Jesus have?
- Explain what taking the nature of a servant meant during this time period?
- How was the hierarchy ordered in Rome? Who was at the top and who was at the bottom?

Read Philippians 2:17-18 & Read Mark 10:45

- How did Paul rejoice while being imprisoned and preparing to die?
- How we know serving is good for us when we love to be served?
- What does sacrificial service look like for you?
- Paul was strengthened by two things. Do you remember what they were? (your prayers & the Holy Spirit)

Talk About It

- What do you need to do to become a "there you are" kind of person?

Wrap Up

Reminder: "Joy is the settled assurance that God is in control of all the details of my life, the quiet confidence that ultimately everything is going to be alright, and the determined choice to praise God in every situation." - Rick & Kay Warren

Challenge: Whose life is Jesus calling you to make a difference in through your attitude and service?