

Secrets to Joyful Living – Part 2

Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! – Philippians 4:4 (NKJV)

“Trust and Obey, there is no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.”

We were created to serve and worship God and enjoy Him forever. We were NOT created nor are we equipped to be the Boss. We will never be deeply fulfilled when we make it our purpose in life to P_____.

I. Safeguarding your P_____.

A. Invest Wisely. Gain, not Lose.

B. No D_____.

“Don’t store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. - Mt 6:19-20

C. Any A_____ will Help.

And if you give even a cup of cold water to one of the least of my followers, you will surely be rewarded.” – Matthew 10:42

II. Be who you were meant to be

A. Who am I? – C_____ of the Living God!

“I am deeply loved, completely forgiven, fully pleasing, totally accepted, and complete because Christ died for me and was raised from the dead to give me new life. I am free!” – Robert McGee

Be who you are meant to be – A child of the King!

B. Self-Check: Am I a fig or thistle?

“Beware of false prophets who come disguised as harmless sheep but are really vicious wolves. You can identify them by their fruit, that is, by the way they act. Can you pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? A good tree produces good fruit, and a bad tree produces bad fruit. A good tree can’t produce bad fruit, and a bad tree can’t produce good fruit. So every tree that does not produce good fruit is chopped down and thrown into the fire. Yes, just as you can identify a tree by its fruit, so you can identify people by their actions. - Mt 7:15-20

III. Do What You Were Meant to Do

- A. You were created to do **G**_____.

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them. – Ephesians 2:10 (NASB)

- B. You are to **S**_____.

Do everything without complaining and arguing, so that no one can criticize you. Live clean, innocent lives as children of God, shining like bright lights in a world full of crooked and perverse people. – Philippians 2:14-15 (NLT)

- C. Take **I**_____ and rejoice in using your **G**_____ to serve!

Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us. – Romans 12:3b (NLT)

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us. - 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

IV. Fulfill your life's purpose

- A. Be a **P**_____ of God's Goodness! It will Release Joy in Your Life!

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; - 1 Peter 2:9 (NASB)

Answers:

Please Ourselves

I. Profits; B) Depreciation; C) Amount

II. A) Child

III. A) Good works; B) Shine as lights; C) Inventory, Gifts

IV. A) Proclaimer