

How To Be Happy

Current issues tend to distract

- Spiritual growth is our most important concern
- We need joy in life – especially in serving God
- Is happiness just a word? Can we be happy?

I. Does God Want Us To Be Happy?

God blesses us

- His blessings produce happiness, Psalm 127:5
 - 1 Tim.6:17
- Obedience to Him produces happiness, Psalm 128:2
- He commands happiness, Phil.4:4

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II. Why Does God Want
Us To Be Happy?

God wants us to be happy . . .

- For our good always, Dt.6:24
- It does us good, Prov.17:22
- Great reward in heaven, Luke 6:22-23
- Moral necessity, Lk.15:6, 9, 23-32
- Sympathy, Ro.12:15 (9-21)

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**III. False Ways To
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False ways... Ecclesiastes 2 –

1: seek it as an end in itself

1: pleasures of earth (8). 2 Tim.4

4-9: possessions, wealth, 22-26

12: wisdom (23)

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IV. **How To Be Happy?**

Philippians 4

- 6: be at peace with God and yourself
 - Obey God. 2 Kings 9
 - Serve others. Ph.2:3-4
 - Trust God. Ph.1:21-23
- 6: pray often
- 6: count your blessings
- 7: wait on the Lord