

Attitudes That Bring Joy

(Philippians 2:1-30)

Introduction

What steals your joy? Life's joy stealers are many, and come in many forms.

Circumstances (job, finances, etc.)

People (a particular type or one individual)

Events from the past

Events in the future

Joy can be had anywhere and any time!! It can be stolen anywhere and at any time.

The answer? Continuously cultivate joy in your life.

The timeless truth of this message is . . .

Joy is a choice. Choose a right spiritual posture that joy may flourish in your life.

Contextualize this sermon in the series.

Contextualize Philippians 2:1-30.

I. Unity (2:1-2)

A) The issue (4:2-3)

B) The challenge (v. 2)

C) The basis (v. 1-2)

Encouragement (exhortation or challenge)

Consolation (God's consoling love)

Fellowship (of Holy Spirit)

Affection (affectionate sympathy of God)

D) Illustration (v. 19-23)

II. Humility (2:3-11)

A) Challenge (v. 3-4)

B) Illustration (v. 5-11)

III. Submission (2:12-17)

A) Call (v. 12-13)

B) Challenge (v. 14)

C) Cause (v. 15-16)

D) Illustration (v. 17)

Conclusion