

## JOYFULLY SUPPLIED SLIDE

Marcus Warner & Jim Wilder write a lot about joy- from a unique perspective. Both as a theologian and for Wilder as a Doctor of clinical psychology who works in the field of brain science.

Essentially- the way they define joy is

**Joy is a high-energy emotion related to knowing someone is happy to see you.**

**Joy is the life-giving feeling of mutual care.**

**Marcus Warner**

*Rare Leadership & The 4 Habits of Joy-Filled People*

Show the relational nature of Phil 4. Starts with reconciling Euodia and Syntyche. Then talks about Returning to Joy. Use some of Warners language from 4 habits or Rare leadership about returning to joy and acting like yourself.

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**Philippians 4:1**

**So then, my dearly loved and longed for brothers and sisters, my joy and crown, in this manner stand firm in the Lord, dear friends.**

**Phil 4:2-3**

**2 I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to agree in the Lord. 3 Yes, I also ask you, true partner, to help these women who have contended for the gospel at my side, along with Clement and the rest of my coworkers whose names are in the book of life.**

**Numbers 6:24-26**

**24 "May the Lord bless you and protect you;  
25 may the Lord make his face shine on you  
and be gracious to you;  
26 may the Lord look with favor on you  
and give you peace."**

**Philippians 4:4-7**

**Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! 5 Let your graciousness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Don't worry about anything, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.**

- 1 God be gracious to you —> graciousness known to everyone
- 2 Give you peace- Peace which surpasses understanding
- 3 Protect you— > will guard your hearts
- 4 The Lord look with favor —> Don't worry- in everything with prayer and thanksgiving-ask
- 5 Make his face shine on you —> Rejoice, the Lord is near.

**Joy creates a beautifully complex relational system of giving & receiving between God & others.**

**Phil 4:10**

**10 I rejoiced in the Lord greatly because once again you renewed your care for me. You were, in fact, concerned about me but lacked the opportunity to show it.**

**Phil 4:16-19**

**For even in Thessalonica you sent gifts for my need several times. 17 Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the profit that is increasing to your account. 18 But I have received everything in full, and I have an abundance. I am fully supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you provided — a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. 19 And my God will supply all your needs according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.**

Involves a giver, a receiver and God who also gives and receives- God fully supplies- gives according to riches- and receives a fragrant offering.

Creates a relational dependent system. Unlike church or communities we often think of in America. Everyone depends on themselves- don't let anyone know or respond to need. Embarrassing if you do.

**Acts 2:42-47**

**42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread, and to prayer.**

**43 Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and signs were being performed through the apostles. 44 Now all the believers were together and held all things in common. 45 They sold their possessions and property and distributed**

the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46 Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple, and broke bread from house to house. They ate their food with joyful and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. Every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

#### **Philippians 4:17-20**

Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the profit that is increasing to your account. 18 But I have received everything in full, and I have an abundance. I am fully supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you provided — a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. 19 And my God will supply all your needs according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. 20 Now to our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

not merely a temporal provision- but an eternal one in Christ Jesus.

Storing up treasures in heaven. Don't store up here. Make friends with money that is passing away. Prioritize the eternal with your money. That doesn't mean you can't take vacations or buy things- but it does mean that you want your first thoughts to be about God and his Kingdom. What shows his love? What cares for others?

Knowing that your money and possessions are temporary to steward. Think about people and their relationship with God. By thinking about God and his graciousness in his relationship with you.

It's secure, imperishable, impossible to lose. It came at great cost and sacrifice. It was for the JOY set before him-

#### **Hebrews 12:1-2**

Therefore, since we also have such a large cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us lay aside every hindrance and the sin that so easily ensnares us. Let us run with endurance the race that lies before us, 2 keeping our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. For the joy that lay before him, he endured the cross, despising the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

#### **Philippians 4:12-13**

12 I know how to make do with little, and I know how to make do with a lot. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being content — whether well fed or hungry, whether in abundance or in need. 13 I am able to do all things through him who strengthens me.

**Philippians 4:8**

**8 Finally brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable — if there is any moral excellence and if there is anything praiseworthy — dwell on these things.**

Share time-

Commitment and prayer time