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HOW TO FIND JOY IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE



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Slide 2

Answering Ten Questions 

- 1) Who wrote it? – Paul
- 2) To Whom was it written? – The Believers at Philippi
- 3) Where was it written from? – Rome
- 4) When was it written? – A.D. 62
- 5) What was the book's occasion? – Five contacts
- 6) Who are the opponents? – Four opponents threatening joy
- 7) What is the book's purpose? – To give joy during adversity
- 8) How is it organized (outline)? – Four-part outline
- 9) What is it about? – Joy during adversity
- 10) What makes the book different? – Personal & informal

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Introduction  
Philippians 1:1-11

- I. Salutation (1:1-2)
- II. Thanksgiving (1:3-8)
- III. Prayer (1:9-11)



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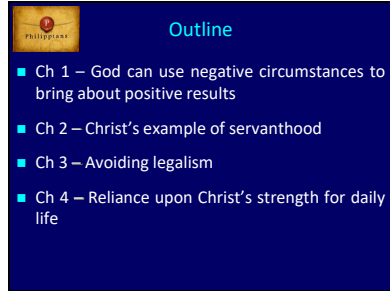
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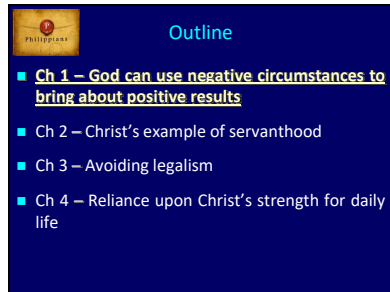
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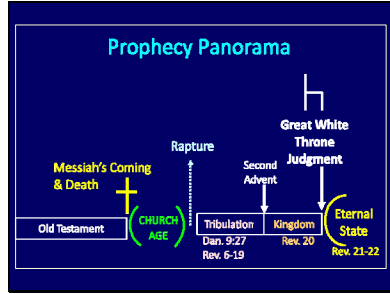
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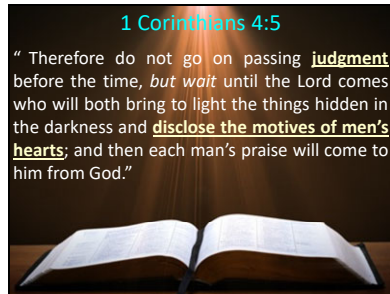
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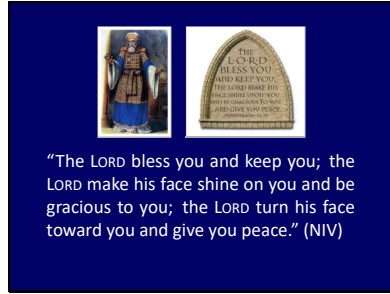
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Acts 16:37-But Paul said to them, “They have beaten us in public without trial, men who are Romans, and have thrown us into prison; and now are they sending us away secretly? No indeed! But let them come themselves and bring us out.”

Acts 16:27-32-<sup>27</sup> When the jailer awoke and saw the prison doors opened, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup> But Paul cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here!” <sup>29</sup> And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, <sup>30</sup> and after he brought them out, he said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” <sup>31</sup> They said, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” <sup>32</sup> And they spoke the word of the Lord to him together with all who were in his house.

### 15-18

John 12:6-Now he said this, not because he was concerned about the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box, he used to pilfer what was put into it.



Rom. 1:16-For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

### 20-26

Acts 20:1-3-After the uproar had ceased, Paul sent for the disciples, and when he had exhorted them and taken his leave of them, he left to go to Macedonia. <sup>2</sup> When he had gone through those districts and had given them much exhortation, he came to Greece. <sup>3</sup> And *there* he spent three months, and when **a plot was formed against him by the Jews** as he was about to set sail for Syria, he decided to return through Macedonia.

Acts 20:6-We sailed from **Philippi** after the days of Unleavened Bread, and came to them at Troas within five days; and there we stayed seven days.

Heb. 2:15-and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.

2 Cor. 5:8-we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.

### 28-29

Matt. 10:28-31-<sup>28</sup> Do not fear those who kill the body but are unable to kill the soul; but rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a cent? And *yet* not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup> But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup> So do not fear; you are more valuable than many sparrows.

Prov. 29:25-The fear of man brings a snare, But he who trusts in the LORD will be exalted.

1 Peter 3:14-But even if you should suffer for the sake of righteousness, you are blessed. AND DO NOT FEAR THEIR INTIMIDATION, AND DO NOT BE TROUBLED.

JOHN 16:7-11-<sup>7</sup> But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. <sup>8</sup> And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment; <sup>9</sup> concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; <sup>10</sup> and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me; <sup>11</sup> and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged.

### 30

Acts 14:22-strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and *saying*, “Through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God.”

2 Tim. 3:12-Indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.