

Happy Living Part 3

The path to happiness is through humility

Pride always leads to arguments. Proverbs 13:10

Does your life in Christ give you strength? Does His love comfort you? Do we share together in His Spirit? Do you have mercy and kindness? If so, make me very happy by having the same thoughts, sharing the same love, having one mind and being of one purpose. When you do these things, do not let selfishness or pride be your guide. Instead, be humble and give more honor to others than to yourselves. Don't be interested only in your own life, but be interested in the lives of others. In your lives you must act and think like Jesus Christ. Christ Himself was God in everything but He did not think being equal with God was something to be demanded. Instead, He gave up His place with God and made Himself nothing. He was born to be a human being and became a servant. While He was living on earth as a man, He humbled Himself and became fully obedient to God the Father, even when it caused His death -- death on a cross. So then God raised Him up to the highest place. God made His name greater than every other name so that every knee will bow to the name of Jesus -- everyone in heaven, on earth, and under the earth. One day everyone will confess that Jesus is Lord and bring glory to the Father. Philippians 2:1-11

You will make my joy complete by having the same mind, sharing the same love, being united in spirit, and intent on one purpose. V. 2

Habits of Humility To Reduce Conflict

Don't do anything from selfish ambition or vain conceit. V. 3

Selfish ambition means it's all about me
Vain Conceit means I'm always right

Whenever there is jealousy or selfish ambition, you'll find confusion and every other kind of evil. James 3:16

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Humility is not putting myself down
Humility is building others up

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Don't be interested only in your own life, but be interested in what others care about too. **V. 4**

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Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus. **V. 5**

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Though He was God, He did not demand and cling to His rights as God. He emptied Himself of all He had ... **V. 6-7**

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And Jesus took on the nature of a servant, becoming a human just like us. **V. 7**

Self-esteem comes from service

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While living as a man, Jesus humbled Himself even more, by being fully obedient to God, even when that meant His death on a cross. **V. 8**

Because of this God exalted Jesus to the highest honor and made His name greater than every other name. That at the name of Jesus every knee will one day bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord and give glory to the Father. **V. 9-11**