

*Reasons to Rejoice*

Philippians 1:12-30

Many people wonder how a person can rejoice in harsh circumstances. Can we really have joy each and every day? Are there reasons to rejoice when you are forced to be alone or when people that you love are turning against you? When Paul wrote to the Philippians, his life was out of his control. From that crisis, he gives us reasons to rejoice.

**1. Christ is \_\_\_\_\_ in a powerful way**

(Philippians 1:12-19)

- a) Circumstances create a greater \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel (vs. 12)
- b) The \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ has become well known (vs. 13)
- c) Some are \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord and have courage to speak the word of God (vs. 14)

*I rejoice when my life advances the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.*

**2. To live is Christ, to die is \_\_\_\_\_**

(Philippians 1:20-26)

- a) With all boldness, Christ should be \_\_\_\_\_ in my body (vs. 20-21)
- b) Life in the flesh means \_\_\_\_\_ labor (vs. 22)
- c) Departing in death means being with \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 23)

*I rejoice when my life has \_\_\_\_\_ and blessing.*

(continued on back)

**3. We stand \_\_\_\_\_ against evil**

(Philippians 1:27-30)

- a) Conduct yourself in a manner \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel (vs. 27)
- b) Stand firm and \_\_\_\_\_ together (vs. 27)
- c) Be willing to \_\_\_\_\_ for the sake of Christ (vs. 29)

*I rejoice when I live for the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.*

**INSIGHT FOR LIFE**

*I will make Christ my life's \_\_\_\_\_ so that I may have reason to rejoice in any circumstance.*

*My Notes*

*Reasons to Rejoice*

Philippians 1:12-30

Many people wonder how a person can rejoice in harsh circumstances. Can we really have joy each and every day? Are there reasons to rejoice when you are forced to be alone or when people that you love are turning against you? When Paul wrote to the Philippians, his life was out of his control. From that crisis, he gives us reasons to rejoice.

**1. Christ is proclaimed in a powerful way**

(Philippians 1:12-19)

- a) Circumstances create a greater progress of the gospel (vs. 12)
- b) The cause of Christ has become well known (vs. 13)
- c) Some are trusting in the Lord and have courage to speak the word of God (vs. 14)

*I rejoice when my life advances the truth of Christ.*

**2. To live is Christ, to die is gain**

(Philippians 1:20-26)

- a) With all boldness, Christ should be exalted in my body (vs. 20-21)
- b) Life in the flesh means fruitful labor (vs. 22)
- c) Departing in death means being with Christ (vs. 23)

*I rejoice when my life has purpose and blessing.*

(continued on back)

**3. We stand with others against evil**

(Philippians 1:27-30)

- a) Conduct yourself in a manner worthy of the gospel (vs. 27)
- b) Stand firm and strive together (vs. 27)
- c) Be willing to suffer for the sake of Christ (vs. 29)

*I rejoice when I live for the sake of Christ.*

**INSIGHT FOR LIFE**

*I will make Christ my life's ambition so that I may have reason to rejoice in any circumstance.*

*My Notes*