

Finding Joy in Working Out

Message 1 – The Joyful Mind

- I. We Are All On The Same Team (Phil. 1:27; 2:5-11)
 - A. Standing firm & striving side-by-side for the same purpose (1:27)
 - 1. All working together on the same team & not outshining others
 - 2. A team for advancing the gospel
 - B. God patterns joyful living (2:6-11)
 - 1. The Tri-une God (Matt. 28:19)
 - 2. Others' centred for mankind
 - a. Served mankind by becoming a man
 - b. Obediently sacrificed Himself for the sin of mankind on the cross
 - c. Not exalting Himself, but trusting God for that
 - d. Glorifying the Father
- II. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus (Phil. 2:5)
 - A. The **selfless** mind; the **sacrificial** mind; the **serving** mind **"is yours"**
 - B. Have this among yourselves
 - C. Two practical ways to be others' centred/focused:

Message 2 – Finding Joy in Working Out

- I. Intro: No I Am Not Kidding
- II. Working Out What God Works In You (Phil. 2:12-13)
 - A. God works **"in"** you
 - 1. His life is in you from regeneration (John 3:3; 1 John 5:12)
 - 2. Giftings (Rom. 12:6-8; 1 Cor. 12:4-11, 28; Eph. 4:11; 1 Pet. 4:9-11)
 - 3. His promptings (John 16:13; 14:26; Acts 8:29)
 - 4. His empowering (1 Cor. 12:11)
 - B. You work **"out"** what God worked **"in"** you
 - C. Don't try to work **"out"** what God hasn't worked **"in"** you (1 Cor. 12:11)
- III. Not Working Against What God Is Doing (Phil. 2:14)
 - A. Complaining rather than cooperating
 - B. Questioning or disputing with God
- IV. Taking The Opportunity To Shine (Phil. 2:15-16)
 - A. Shining **"in the midst of"** & **"among"**
 - B. Holding tightly to the word of life