

Part 6: The Worthy Life

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All scriptures are printed verbatim with translations noted.

Christian Joy is the emotional response of the soul from the Holy Spirit which produces supernatural spiritual strength for life. (Galatians 5:22, Nehemiah 8:10)

REVIEW

We can have future joy by...

<u>Trusting Deeply</u> that we will be delivered from our trials.

Living Focused on magnifying God with our lives.

Seeing Clearly that the eternal is better than the temporal.

Study Verse Section

Philippians 1:27a- (ESV)-Only (Μόνον) single focus let your manner of life (πολιτεύεσθε) we get our word political or politics...lit. "to be a citizen" be worthy (ἀξίως) in a matter fitting of the gospel (εὐαγγελίου) good news of Christ,

Philippians 3:20 (ESV)- <u>But our citizenship is in heaven</u>, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,

A worthy life is one that reflects the <u>standards</u>, <u>values</u>, <u>transformation</u>, and importance of the gospel.

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Marks of the Worthy Life

1. STANDING FIRM

Philippians 1:27-28 (ESV)- Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit

Ephesians 6:13 (ESV)-Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and <u>having done all, to</u> stand firm.

2. STRIVING TOGETHER

Philippians 1:27b (ESV)- with one mind <u>striving side by side for the faith of the gospel.</u>

Colossians 1:29 (NASB)- For this purpose also I labor, <u>striving</u> according to <u>His power</u>, which mightily works within me.

As believers we are to strive along side, not against one another.

3. LIVING FEARLESSLY

Philippians 1:28 (ESV)-and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God.

Luke 12:4 (ESV)-I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have nothing more that they can do.

4. SUFFERING FOR JESUS

Philippians 1:29 (ESV)-For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him <u>but also suffer for his sake</u>,

I Peter 3:14 (ESV)-But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled.

Here is the Point: Believers are to live lives worthy of the gospel!

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