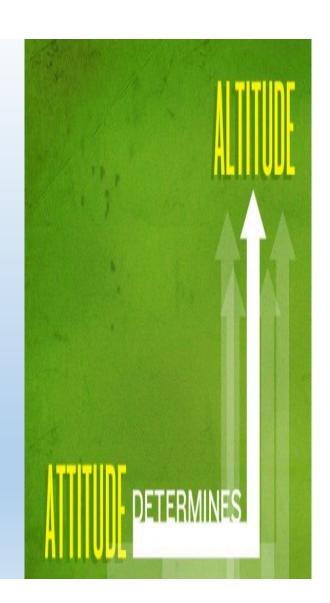


Your Attitude Determines Your Altitude -pt1

Philippians 4:4-7



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The Power of Attitude

It Has Been Said...

- Nothing Can Stop a PersonW- the Right Attitude
- Nothing Can Help a PersonW- the Wrong Attitude



Attitude is the EYE of your Soul!

Your attitude determines how you view life

Attitude is the FACE of your Life!

Your attitude determines how you appear to others

Attitude is the EAR of your Mind!

Your attitude determines how you understand your world

Attitude is the VOICE of your Heart!

Your attitude will determine how you relate to those around you

Attitude is the Prophet of your Future!

- It Determines Your Destiny
- It Also Determines How High You Fly!!!



Paul had the Right Attitude...

...From a Prison in Rome He Writes:

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!" (4)

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- •An Attitude is a Mental Disposition or Outlook...
 ...a Way of Looking at Yourself and the World
- •It Can Be Defined as a Mental, Emotional, and Physical Posture

 One of the Inside Out"
- •Our Level of Joy is Based More On What is Going On Within Us...

 ...Than What's Going On Around Us

Joy is an Unconquerable Sense of Gladness

It Overcomes Adversity, Disappointment, Tragedy, Failure, and the Harsh Experiences of Life, Enabling Us to...

"mount up with wings like eagles, to run and not grow weary, and to walk and not faint" -lsa. 40:31.

- Joy is the Promise of God to His people, / the Work of the Holy Spirit in Our Hearts When We...
 - Turn Over Our Trials to God
 - Live In the Confidence that He Is Able
- When You Have this Kind of Joy, You Know By Experience...

"The joy of the Lord is your strength" -Neh. 8:10

Attitudes

Attitudes Can Be...

- o Realistic or Unrealistic
- Positive or Negative
- Productive or Unproductive
- •In Philippians, Paul Continually Underscores the Need for a Spiritual Attitude If We Are to Keep Our Joy
- •It's Easy to Get Caught Up in Negative If We Don't Guard Our Hearts

Paul Shares Three Aspects Of Real Joy In This Passage

Joy Is an Upward Attitude (4:4)

- **We must REJOICE**
 - o Rejoice= full of cheer, calmly happy, well off
- **Rejoice in the LORD**
 - Not in Things, Circumstances
 - •Real Joy comes from the Real Joy Giver!
- **Rejoice in the Lord ALWAYS**
 - It's Easy to Rejoice in the Lord When You Are in Church
 - ·All the Time
 - In All Things
 - •Through the good and the bad!!!

REJOICE in the LORD, ALWAYS!!!

In the Face of...

- Depression- Joy Says, "All things work together for good to those who love God"-Ro 8:28
- Suffering- " " "Though [God] slay me, yet will I trust Him" -Job 13:15
- Fear- " " "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow..." -Ps. 23:4
- Impossibilities Joy Says, "With God all things are possible" Matt. 19:26; Mark 10:2
- Failure- joy says, "Though I have fallen, I will rise" -Mic. 7:8
- Financial Loss- Joy Says, "I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread" -Ps. 37:25
- Death-" ", "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" -1 Cor. 15:55
- Unanswered Prayer, Joy Says, "[His] grace is sufficient for you" -2 Cor. 12:9
- Inadequacy, Joy Says, "I can do all things through Christ" -Phil. 4:13
- Challenges, Joy Says, "Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory" -1 Cor. 15:57