

Why I Laugh

SERIES: QUESTIONS I HAVE FOR JESUS
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KEY VERSE

God has given us instructions to living a life worth living. Life was never meant to be boring.
-Matthew 5:3-12

1. The popular idea of happiness:

Having the right: _____

"I decided to enjoy myself and find out what happiness is ..."
-Eccl. 2:1

* Accumulating: _____.

-Eccl. 2:7-8

* Experiencing: _____.

-Eccl. 2:3,10

* Achieving: _____.

-Eccl. 2:4,6-9

"All of it is meaningless, a chasing after the wind."
-Eccl. 2:17

2. God's way to happiness:

Having: _____

_____.

Matt. 5:3-12

"The Beatitudes" - 8 Secrets of Happiness

"BLESSED" means: "_____".

The point of these "contradictions":

My happiness is not determined by what's happening _____ me but rather what's happening _____ me!

3. The first step to happiness:

_____:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
-Matt:5:3

How Humility Increases My Happiness:

* It reduces _____

* It improves _____

* It releases _____

"God gives strength to the humble, but sets himself against the proud."
-James 4:6 (LB)

"Happy are those who know their need for God, for the kingdom of heaven is theirs!"
-Matt. 5:3 (Ph)

"Now that you know the truth, how happy you will be if you put it into practice!"
-John 13:17 (GN)

ANSWER KEY:

Circumstance; Things; Pleasure; Success; The Right Attitude; Happy; Around/In; Humbleness; Stress; My Relationships; God's Power

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