



**NO TREASURE LIKE JESUS
JOYFULLY INTO THE BATTLE**

PHILIPPIANS 3:1

Ben Blakey - Compass Bible Church - December 4, 2022

1. Resolve _____

Philippians 3:1 (ESV)
3 Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you.

2. See _____

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Review **Philippians 2:17-18 & 3:1**. Remember that the context for Paul’s calls to rejoice are in the context of gospel ministry. What are some aspects of service, evangelism, and defending the faith that are difficult, and why is it important to resolve to rejoice in the midst of these hardships?

2. Find a few verses to meditate on this week in order to intentionally rejoice at all times. What verses did you choose? What about these verses gives you a reason to rejoice?

3. Read **James 1:2-4**. What are some trials you are facing or may face this week? What will rejoicing in these trials (even if they are small) look like?

4. What are some of the basic beliefs or practices of the Christian faith that you may be tempted to overlook? What “safety” can be found in regularly reminding yourself and others of these things?

5. Read **Psalm 19:7-11**. Does your life currently reflect this reality that the Scriptures are a treasure? How can you direct your thinking to avoid the error of thinking of reading the Bible as “boring” or as “the same old thing”?

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

Here are some books which may help you dig deeper into what we studied today. While Pastor Ben cannot endorse everything about each book/author, he does think these books are worth considering and reading.

DeMoss, Nancy Leigh. *Choosing Gratitude*. Moody Publishers, 2009.

Eliot, Elisabeth. *Through Gates of Splendor*. Tyndale Momentum, 1981.

Piper, John. *When I Don't Desire God*. Crossway, 2014.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray that our church would remain devoted to right teaching, fellowship, and prayer.

Pray that our church would reflect the joy that is right for Christians to have.

Pray that we would never tire of hearing the most important things!

Pray for John Sanborn as he wraps up his time serving in Uganda helping with construction at SOS Ministries.

Pray that God will provide a long-term home for CBCTV through the Taking Ground project.

REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING

Date	Old Testament	New Testament
12/5	Ezekiel 38-39	2 John
12/6	Ezekiel 40-42	3 John
12/7	Ezekiel 43-45	Revelation 1
12/8	Ezekiel 46-48	Revelation 2
12/9	Joel 1-3	Revelation 3
12/10	Daniel 1-3	Revelation 4