



JOY IN YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES

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- 2. Circumstances in life are sometimes out of your control.



What counts in life is not your circumstances, but your character.



Sometimes God uses the circumstances in life to get us to change our direction and do what He wants done.



"Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ."

- Philippians 1:12-13





Growing through our circumstances: #1 - Fulfill my responsibility.



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"The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice."

- Philippians 1:18



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 - "Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ."
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"Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance."

- Philippians 1:18-19

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Jesus: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes." - Luke 12:22-23



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"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." – Proverbs 3:5-6

