Discovery Service Order and Message Outline



	Dan Kent The greatest day in history The joy
PRAYER	
UPDATES	Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER	I stand amazed in the presence
	Philippians 2:19-30 (Church Bible page 1231)
MESSAGE	Taught by Pastor Phill
COMMUNION	There is a redeemer
	You chose the cross (lost in wonder)



Exponential ~5 How to increase our happiness. Philippians 2:19-30

Timothy: 'I have no-one else like him.' Philippians 2:20 NIV

Epaphroditus: 'Welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honour men like him, because he almost died for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for the help you could not give me.' Philippians 2:29-30 NIV

'so that I may be cheered' Philippians 2:19
'so you may be glad' Philippians 2:28
'so that I may have less anxiety' Philippians 2:28
'it will make me happy and lighten my cares.' Philippians 2:28 LB

1. Shift the	away from myself
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'I have no one else like him, who takes a genuine interest in your welfare. For everyone else looks out for his own interests.' Philippians 2:20-21 NIV

'He genuinely cares about you... others only care about themselves.' Philippians 2:20-21 GW

'they are all wrapped up in their own affairs.' Philippians 2:21 JBP

'Don't be so obsessed with getting your own advantage. Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand.' Philippians 2:4 MSG

2. Become someone that people

'Those who can't be trusted are on the road to ruin.' Proverbs 13:15 GNB

'Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he served with me in the work of the Gospel.' Philippians 2:22 NIV

'You know what kind of person Timothy proved to be.' Philippians 2:22 GW

1. Live with .

'Reliable friends who do what they say are like cool drinks in sweltering heat – refreshing.' Proverbs 25:13 MSG

'Putting confidence in an unreliable person is like chewing with a toothache or walking on a broken foot.' Proverbs 25:19 NLT
'Honest people will lead a full, happy life.' Proverbs 28:20 TEV
2. I keep my 'They always do what they promise, no matter how much it may cost.' Psalm 15:4 GNB
3. Learn how to work well with
1. Learn to 'But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, fellow-worker and fellow-soldier, who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs.' Philippians 2:25 NIV
'You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight.' Matthew 5:9 MSG
2. Learn to be 'I must send him back to you, because he longs to see all of you, and has been worried about your distress since you heard that he was sick.' Philippians 2:26 NCV
'You must get along with each other! You must learn to be considerate of one another, cultivating a life in common.' 1 Corinthians 1:10 MSG
'I don't just do what I like or what is best for me, but what is best for everyone so they may be saved.' 1 Corinthians 10:33 NLT
4. I must live for something worth for. 'Indeed he was ill, and he almost died. For he risked his life for the work of Christ, and he was at the point of death while trying to do for me the things you couldn't do because you were far away.' Philippians 2:27, 30 NLT
Happiness comes from putting before
'Only those who give away their lives for my sake and for the sake of the Good News

will ever know what it means to really live.' Mark 8:35 LB



- 1. When you think of happiness, what immediately comes into your mind? How does the world view happiness?
- 2. Read Philippians 2:20-21. Why is it hard to look out for other people's interests?
- 3. Read Philippians 2:22. In what ways can we prove ourselves?
- 4. Why are integrity and keeping our promises key to being a person who is trustworthy?
- 5. What would it look like for you to adopt Timothy's approach to life and ministry in your own life and ministry?
- 6. Read Philippians 2:25. Discuss the three teamwork metaphors that Paul uses in this verse. How does each one contribute to co-operation and teamwork?
- 7. In what ways does Epaphroditus show us how to put others' interests above our own?
- 8. What would it look like for you to adopt Epaphroditus' approach to life and ministry in your own life and ministry?



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