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THE FRIEND OF **HAPPINESS**















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John 10:7-11 "Jesus said, 'I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before Me were thieves and robbers. But the true sheep did not listen to them. Yes, I am the gate. Those who come in through Me will be saved. They will come and go freely and will find good pastures. The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd sacrifices his life for the sheep."

WHY JESUS IS THE FRIEND OF HAPPINESS

1. God has a <u>PLAN</u> for my happiness.

John 10:10 "My purpose is to give life in all its fullness...more and better life than you ever dreamed of."

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Psalm 8:4-5 "What are human beings that You should think of us, mere mortals that You should care for us? For You made us only a little lower than God, and You crowned us with glory and honor."

Matthew 16:26 "And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul?"

Matthew 6:33 "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need."

2. God has <u>PROVIDED</u> for my happiness.

John 10:11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd sacrifices his life for the sheep."

John 10:10 "The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy." John 10:8 "All who came before Me were thieves and robbers."

The thief is anything that takes what you value, kills what you love, and destroys your life.

Colossians 2:15 "Jesus defeated the rulers and powers of the spiritual world. With the cross He won the victory over them and led them away, as defeated and powerless prisoners for the whole world to see."

Romans 3:23-24 "All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's glory. But God treats us much better than we deserve, and because of Christ Jesus, He freely accepts us and sets us free from our sins."

Romans 5:17 "But even greater is God's wonderful grace and His gift of righteousness, for all who receive it will live in triumph over sin and death through this one man, Jesus Christ."

3. God has a <u>PATH</u> for my happiness.

John 10:9 "I am the gate. Those who come in through Me will be saved.

They will come and go freely and will find good pastures."

Psalm 119:144 "The way You tell me to live is always right; help me understand it so I can live to the fullest."

John 14:6 "Jesus said, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through Me."

Colossians 2:9-10 "For in Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body. So you also are complete through your union with Christ..."

James 4:8 "Draw close to God and God will draw close to you."

Steps to Salvation:

Admit you are a sinner and ask God to forgive you.

1 John 1:9 "If we confess our sins to Him, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness."

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

Acts 16:31 "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved."

Commit yourself to God.

Acts 2:38 "Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins."

A Prayer for Salvation

"Dear God, I come to You in the name of Jesus Christ. I ask You to save me today. I confess that I have sinned against You. Please forgive me of my sins. I believe that Jesus Christ is Your Son. I believe that He died on the cross and rose from the dead so that I might be saved. I ask You to come into my heart now by the power of the Holy Spirit and make me born again. I give my life to You and promise to obey You and follow You. Save me from sin. Deliver me from the devil. Heal me and fill me today. I thank You now by faith,

in Jesus' name. Amen."

Signed ______

Date _____

Once you have prayed this prayer by faith from a sincere heart, write to Pastor Whitcomb and let him know about your decision to follow Jesus.

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