

THE ONLY WAY TO EXPERIENCE A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Let me be the 1st to wish you a Happy New Year! *Happy New Year* is an often-heard, post-Christmas statement of encouragement and well-wishing. To be sure, everyone desires a happy new year ... but how does a person actually experience a happy new year? What is the key to having 2022 really be a happy one for you?

THE HAPPINESS CONFUSION

Many people equate happiness with money and materialism. To them, happiness is having wealth. Others equate happiness with good physical health. To them, happiness is an in-shape body hitting on all eight cylinders. Some may seek happiness from their spouse or children. To them having the perfect relationship with family will make them happy. Still others equate happiness with personal achievement. To them, happiness is a big promotion, or graduation, or a milestone achievement. Although these are good things, will they really bring you happiness?

Years ago, I read a true story about tennis star, Boris Becker. He was the youngest man to ever win Wimbledon, achieving victory in 1985 at the tender age of seventeen. In the late 1980s, Becker was on the mountain top of fame, fortune, and personal achievement. Yet, he was so unhappy and on the brink of suicide. Becker was quoted as saying, "I had won Wimbledon twice before, once as the youngest player. I was rich. I had all the material possessions I needed. It's the old song of movie stars and pop stars who commit suicide. They have everything, and yet they are so unhappy. I had no inner peace. I was a puppet on a string."

Isn't that amazing? Becker had all the things the world says will make for happiness, yet he was so incredibly unhappy. Could it be that true happiness is not found in health, wealth, and achievement?

When I lived in San Diego my church would visit poor churches in Mexico and minister to the poor. It was shocking to me how most of these people had hardships but seemed so happy. They had the biggest smiles and were so grateful for every little thing. The people I engaged with appeared to have true happiness.

***For who can eat and
who can have enjoyment
without Him?***

Eccl. 2:25

TRUE HAPPINESS

The Bible makes it clear that true happiness comes when you and I are right with God. When we are yielded to Christ and His will, then we can experience true happiness—inner peace and unspeakable joy. Are you right with God today? Are your sins confessed to Him? Are you living surrendered to the Lordship of Jesus Christ?

Blaise Pascal, the seventeenth century mathematician, physicist, inventor, writer, and philosopher astutely said, "There is a God-shaped vacuum in the heart of every man which cannot be filled by any created thing, but only by God, the Creator, made known through Jesus."

Let me encourage you to take sober inventory of your life today. Are you trying to fill the inner vacuum with health, wealth, achievement, or the like? Those things will never make you truly happy; they will never satisfy the deep longings of your soul. The only One who can do that is Jesus.

Start your year off right by bowing your knee and your life to King Jesus. Give Him first place in everything ... for that is the key to true happiness.

We at Power 88 wish you a Happy New Year that only God can provide.

Thank you for your support as we seek to reach others with true happiness that is found in Christ alone.

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As we near the end of another year and the Christmas season is upon us, I just wanted to offer a sincere and heartfelt “Thank you” to our donors, underwriters, supporters, and all who have contributed financially and prayerfully to help make this ministry a success!

The past couple of years have been a challenging time for a lot of people. Although unemployment numbers were at record highs nationwide, God has faithfully blessed us with a supportive listener base to help us to continue to bring the gospel to the airwaves of the upper gulf coast and worldwide via the internet.

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So, from our family to yours, Thank you again and Merry Christmas!

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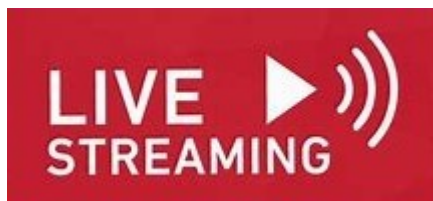




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Merry Christmas!

You will probably be greeted with that phrase from nearly everyone, family members to sales people selling you those all-important last minute gifts, but I wanted to chime in as well. As common as that greeting is, it carries a powerful weight. It's because a Savior was born over 2,000 years ago that we are able to celebrate, not just giving gifts, but through that specific gift Jesus, who paid the cost that we, ourselves, could never afford... the gift of Salvation. It's because of what this holiday means that we are able to celebrate with great joy. Mankind's salvation was born that night in Bethlehem. We never need to lose sight of that fact. From our family to yours, Merry Christmas!

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