# Teamwork Makes The Church Work

# Secrets That Help Us Succeed

# Philippians 1:12-26

***If We're Moving Forward <u>Together</u>…<u>Success</u> takes care of itself.***

***HOW I can <u>Serve</u> God & <u>Live</u> a Joy-Filled life.***

***But there's NO SUCH THING as a <u>Problem</u>-<u>Free</u> Life.***

***Four SECRETS For <u>Success</u> that help CHURCH <u>TEAMS</u> Overcome Obstacles.***

## 1. SUCCESSFUL CHURCHES NEED A PROPER <u>PERSPECTIVE</u>.(vv.12-14)

- Can you see ***<u>GOD</u> at Work*** when things ***Don't Go <u>YOUR</u> Way?***
- ***<u>God</u> Gets Paul to Rome, <u>Nero</u> Pays the Bill*** & ***He <u>Chains</u>*** a ***Different <u>Future</u> <u>Leader</u>*** of Rome to him ***Every <u>6</u> <u>Hours</u>***.
- ***God has a <u>PURPOSE</u> Behind every one of my <u>PROBLEMS</u>***…

## 2. SUCCESSFUL CHURCHES NEED A PRIMARY <u>PRIORITY</u>. (vv.15-18)

- I can ***<u>Live</u> my life*** based on ***<u>Problems</u>…OR <u>Priorities</u>.***
- Paul wouldn't ***let <u>Circumstances</u>*** OR ***<u>Critics</u> STEAL his <u>JOY</u>!***
- No Matter What, ***Our <u>Church</u> <u>Team</u> must <u>Focus</u>*** on what ***REALLY Counts: <u>GOD</u> <u>FIRST</u>!***

## 3. SUCCESSFUL CHURCHES NEED PROVIDENTIAL <u>POWER</u>. (vv.19-20)

- ***<u>LIFE</u> can Wear You out***…
- Paul says, ***"2 Things Give me <u>Strength</u> & Keep me <u>Going</u>" (1)*** *Your* ***<u>PRAYERS</u>*** *&* ***(2)*** *the* ***<u>SUPPLY</u>*** *of God's Spirit. (v.19)*
- ***<u>Where</u> do YOU get "YOUR" HOPE*** to keep going? *(v.20)*
- ***With God's Power <u>NOTHING</u> can Overcome our Team.***

## 4. SUCCESSFUL CHURCHES NEED A PROFOUND <u>PURPOSE</u>. (vv.20-26)

- ***Paul says, "As long as I'm here, "I have a <u>Purpose</u> for Living."***
- ***How do <u>YOU</u>*** fill in the blank? ***For me to live is _____.***
- ***"The <u>Best</u> <u>Use</u> of your life is to <u>INVEST</u> it in something that will <u>OUTLAST</u> it."***
- The ***Secret of <u>JOY</u>*** is becoming a ***<u>Vessel</u> of God to BLESS <u>OTHERS</u>.***

- When you have a ***Greater PURPOSE than just YOURSELF***, you'll have ***More JOY*** than you ***can Handle*…**