

The Secret to Enjoying People in Your Life

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1 Thessalonians 3:6-13

1) Focus on staying _____

Verse 6 *But Timothy has just now come to us from you and has brought good news ...*

Phone, Email, Text, Fax, Letter, Letter in lunchbox, post it note

About your faith and love.

Focus on things that _____

He has told us that you always have pleasant memories of us and that you long to see us just as we also long to see you.

Focus on _____ in spite of Problems.

Verse 7 *Therefore, brothers, in all our distress and persecution we were encouraged about you because of your faith.*

Lesson one: To Enjoy People, remember the _____ and Forget the _____

2) Focus on Talking to God

Verse 9 *How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of God because of you?*

To enjoy People, ask good _____

Verse 10 *Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking your faith.*

To enjoy People, realize they haven't (_____) arrived.

3) Focus on Saying a Blessing

Verse 11 *Now may our God and Father himself and our lord Jesus Clear the way for us to Come to you.*

To enjoy People, pray the opportunity

Verse 12 *May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.*

To enjoy People, make your list an inside one

What we need most in the season to come isn't more outer stuff but inner _____