

# REDISCOVERING JOY

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### THE KIND OF MEN GOD IS LOOKING FOR

1. COMPASSION: MEN WHO PUT **PEOPLE** BEFORE **PROFIT**.

**Php 2:20-21 NLT** *I have no one else like Timothy, who genuinely cares about your welfare. All the others care only for themselves and not for what matters to Jesus Christ.*

**Php 2:21 MSG** *Most people around here are looking out for themselves, with little concern for the things of Jesus.*

Luke 10:30-36: The Samaritan

2. CONSISTENCY: MEN WHO PUT **CHARACTER** BEFORE **CONFORMITY**.

**Php 2:22 NLT** *But you know how Timothy has proved himself. Like a son with his father, he has served with me in preaching the Good News.*

**Pro 10:9 NLT** *People with integrity walk safely, but those who follow crooked paths will slip and fall.*

**Pro 20:7 GNB** *Children are fortunate if they have a father who is honest and does what is right.*

3. COOPERATION: MEN WHO PUT **COOPERATION** BEFORE **COMPETITION**.

**Php 2:25a NLT** *Meanwhile, I thought I should send Epaphroditus back to you. He is a true brother, co-worker, and fellow soldier.*

The believer's life is a life: A.) With Family B.) Of Fellowship  
C.) Called to Fight

**Jdg 20:11 NIV** *So all the men of Israel got together and united as one man against the city.*

4. COMMITMENT: MEN WHO PUT THE **CAUSE OF CHRIST** BEFORE **COMFORT**.

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**Jas 2:17 NLT** *So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.*

5. COURAGE: MEN WHO PUT **SERVICE** BEFORE **SECURITY**.

**Php 2:29-30 NLT** *Welcome him with Christian love and with great joy, and give him the honor that people like him deserve. For he risked his life for the work of Christ, and he was at the point of death while doing for me what you couldn't do from far away.*

**Rom 12:1-2 MSG** *So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life--your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life--and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.*

**Mar 8:35 NLT** *If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for My sake and for the sake of the Good News, you will save it.*

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