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*be joyful*

Finding Joy in Life!

# Desiring God's Peace!

Philippians 4:8-9



# Peace begins with “Right Thinking”!

(v.8a)

- An old adage:

“Sow a thought, reap an action.

Sow an action, reap a habit.

Sow a habit, reap a character.

Sow a character, reap a destiny.”



# Peace begins with “Right Thinking”!

(v.8a)

- Listen & Respond only to truth.
- Focus on things that are honorable & right.
- Let your mind dwell on pure, lovely & good thoughts that build you up.



# *Criteria for our thinking!*

(v.8b)

- Strive to improve your thinking.
- Focus on things that are worthy of excellence & praise.
- I Peter 1:16



# *Right thinking leads to Right actions!*

(v.9)

- Don't just listen to God's Word, but learn to apply it to your life daily.
- Live in such a way that others can use you as a role model.



# *Right thinking leads to Right actions!*

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- *“practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.”*
- II Corinthians 10:5
- Romans 12:1-2
- I Timothy 4:7, 16



# *Lessons for us to learn!*

- What do you chose daily to fill your mind?
  - Television
  - Music/Radio
  - Books
  - Talk
- Does the fact that God knows your every thought impact you?
- Do you have a good role model?

