

Developing a Faith That Works
How To Be Truly Happy

James 1:12 12 Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

You Will Only Be Truly Happy If You Have the Assurance of Eternal Blessedness

I. To Be Truly Happy You Must Pass God's Test.

1. Is "blessed" really "happy".

1 Peter 3:14

1 Peter 4:14

We are not always happy but...

2. Jesus is writing to..

James 1:3

3. The "trials" are to prove you are a

Hebrews 12:7-8

II. To Be Truly Happy You Must Love God

1. Our trials also test our...

2. He must have loved you first

1 John 4:

3. Your love for Him is proof that He...

1 John 4:19

4. Love for God must be defined by...

John 14:23-24

1 John 5:1-3

III. Too Be Truly Happy You Must Have Eternal Life

1. What is the crown...

2 Timothy 4:8 1 Peter 5:3-4 Revelation 2:10

Why is the truly happy life is truly happy.

1 Cor15:19

Jesus says this hope is really the only basis for...

Revelation 2:10

2. You can have it and God wants you to have it

John 20:30-31

3. You can know you have it and God wants you to know it.

1 John 5:13

4. This assurance of your salvation is the ground for...

WCF XVII:1-2