



A PLACE TO BELONG
and *Grow*

Welcome
to your home church!

How to Have a Happy New Year

Psalm 126

- 1. It doesn't consist of things we possess.**
- 2. It doesn't exist in pleasure alone.**
- 3. It doesn't come by eliminating all desires.**

I. HAPPINESS IS FREEDOM FROM SIN (1-3).

A. The Historical Setting

Jews set free from captivity.

B. The Personal Application

Slavery can come in many forms.

Titus 3:3 – “...Foolish, disobedient, deceived, *enslaved* by various lusts and pleasures...”

**John 8:32 & 36 - *“You shall know the truth,
and the truth shall make you free...If the
Son makes you free, then you shall be free
indeed.”***

II. HAPPINESS IS FULFILLMENT IN SALVATION (4).

- A. The Lord has done great things for us, but the greatest of all is eternal salvation.**
- B. Exceptional joy or elation doesn't last long.**
- C. It is not God's will that we live empty, broken, or dried up lives (John 4:13-14).**

III. HAPPINESS IS FAITHFULNESS IN SERVICE (5-6).

A. We sow in tears.

B. We reap in joy.

Gal. 6:9 – “And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.”

