

You may be thinking the same thing I was thinking when I read this—"That's exactly what God said!" Notice further what this researcher of happiness concluded when he summarized five "happiness predictors," as he calls them. You'll find he is not revealing anything new.

"Happiness Predictor #1: Faith." Happiness is the result of a strong faith, which is what Jesus taught. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness" (Matt. 5:6). "Blessed" includes the idea of being happy. One is happy when he hungers for God's Word and builds his faith from it and upon it (Rom. 10:17).

"Happiness Predictor #2: Work." Happiness is the result of being a worker, which is what the Bible teaches. God enjoins us to find a work and do it with our might (Ecc. 9:10; 2 Thess. 3:10-12), and He promises that if we do His work, we will "be blessed" in what we do (James 1:25).

"Happiness Predictor #3: Marriage & Family." Happiness is the result of a strong family, which is what the Bible teaches. God says the wife is a man's "helpmeet" and that "happy is the man" who has children from the Lord (Psa. 127). Happiness comes from this vestibule of heaven.

"Happiness Predictor #4: Charity." Happiness is the result of expressing true love, which is what Jesus taught. "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35), which means giving of ourselves to others brings true happiness (Matt. 5:3).

"Happiness Predictor #5: Freedom." Happiness is the result of being free, which is what the Bible teaches. When man has the greatest freedom from the greatest oppressor and is no longer in bondage to sin, God says, "Blessed is that man" (Psa. 32:1-2; Rom. 4:6-8; 6:7-23).

There are no new findings about true happiness that God has not already revealed to us. Are you happy?

Order of Service

Opening Remarks	Clay Bond
Song Leader	Don Petrosky, Jr.
<i>Song</i>	
<i>Song</i>	
Prayer	Russell Haydon
<i>Song</i>	
Communion	Ray Parks Leonard Meredith
<i>Song</i>	
<i>Song</i>	
Sermon	Clay Bond
<i>Song</i>	
Offering	
Closing Remarks	Clay Bond
<i>Song</i>	
Dismissal Prayer	Dylan Petrosky

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 1st Pot Luck Fellowship
- Dec. 15th Holiday Dinner at the Bond's home

Wednesday Devotional

Nov. 27th Russell H.

...Prayer List...

Gaye Kyle, Tom Barr, Melvin Wright, Pete Medina, Casey Jo Engle, Reta George, Regis & Rachel Parks & Family, Chris' Grandfather, Nan Phillips, Mr. & Mrs. Snyder (cancer), Esmeralda's Aunt (burns)

Remember our college students who are away at school: Jarrett & Luke Haydon

Shut-Ins: Robbi George

Attendance: Sunday AM: 40 PM: 30 Wednesday: 28 Contribution: \$