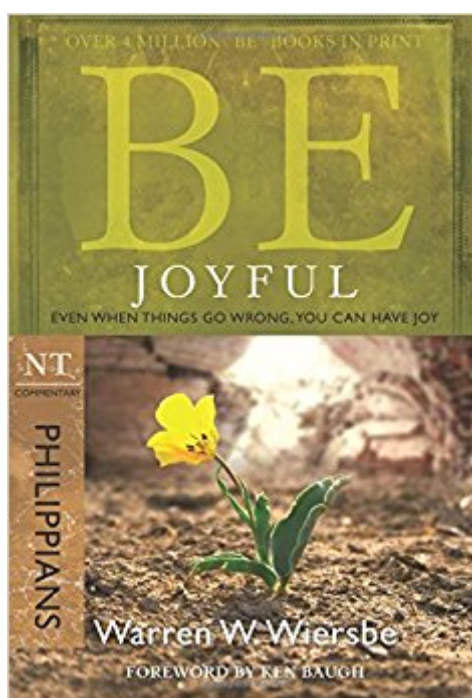


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# Be Joyful (Philippians): Even When Things Go Wrong, You Can Have Joy (The BE Series Commentary)



## Synopsis

In spite of his dire situation as a prisoner in a Roman jail, Paul's letter to the church at Philippi overflows with joy. Discover Paul's secret to finding joy in Christ as Dr. Warren Wiersbe leads you on verse-by-verse tour through the book of Philippians. Take notice of Paul's single-minded focus remains on Jesus and learn how your joy can also be complete in Christ. Originally published in 1974, Be Joyful is part of Dr. Wiersbe's best-selling "Be" commentary series. With over 4 million volumes in print, these timeless books have provided a generation invaluable insight into the history, meaning, and context of virtually every book of the Bible. Reintroduced to a new generation of believers, this commentary now includes study questions at the end of each chapter for further reflection and application. Best-selling author, minister, and radio host, Dr. Warren Wiersbe stands among the most trusted teachers of his time. Dr. Wiersbe's ability to instruct both new believers as well as Bible scholars sets his work apart from any other commentary series.

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## Customer Reviews

Dr. Warren W. Wiersbe is an internationally known Bible teacher and the former pastor of three churches, including the Moody Church in Chicago. For ten years he served as general director and Bible teacher for the Back to the Bible radio broadcast. Dr. Wiersbe has written more than 150 books, including the popular "Be" series of expositional Bible studies, which has sold more than four million copies. In 2002, he was awarded the Jordon Lifetime Achievement Award by the Evangelical

Christian Publishers Association. He and his wife, Betty, live in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Starting a new study on the book of Philippians in our Sunday School class and remembered loading this book previously but not reading it. I started reading this as an add on to our lessons and wow is it great. We are just starting our study but this book has given me good insight on some things that I will share in my class. Easy to read and understand. Great stories to apply it to life today.

I love Wiersbe's commentaries. I have several of them now and he does a good job at pulling out excellent points that are based on the cultural context of when the book (Philippians) was written. Several times he has opened my eyes to a theme or meaning that I hadn't realized before. The discussion questions at the end of each chapter are only so-so (these were added probably by an editor well after the original publication date of the original commentary text by Wiersbe). One note (criticism) I have is that Wiersbe's Calvinistic theology shows through in his comments on Philippians 3 where he claims that if you fail to follow the rules of the race you won't lose your salvation but you will fail to gain the prize (he never explains what the difference is or what the "prize" might be). Obviously those who hold to the doctrine of "Perseverance of the Saints" will disagree with my criticism on this point. Wiersbe's commentaries are not overly technical nor overly simplistic. They are an excellent resource for ministers, teachers, and layperson alike.

Love Wiersbe's commentary books in this series. They are great tools to use while studying the scripture to help fully understand more from the text. Easy for even lay people to use. Don't need to be a pastor or bible scholar.

Yes, even when there seems to be no reason for joy, when eyes see only tears and knees burn from kneeling so long. Alas this brings you right back on course. What a wise man Wiersbe is, again one of my favorite authors. His use of scriptural psychology is amazing. Not a part of this book is without a connection to scripture. This book studies the book of Philippians as I have yet to see another author accomplish in clear easy to understand points. As written in his book...."Worry is actually wrong thinking (the mind) and wrong feeling (the heart) about circumstances, people and things." Phil 4. Check it out, you won't want to put it down

This is a good book for understanding what joy actually is, how to obtain it, and even its purpose. I

recommend it for any believer whom like me has struggled to find joy in their lives.

Reading this book is like listening to a sermon. My husband and I do a couples bible study. This book is an excellent supplement to the book of Philippians. This series was recommended in a Bible College class that we took. Praise God. Someone made the word of God clearer so us lay people could understand the word fully. This is the type of book that ministers must use for their sermons and research. This company also publishes a complete BE series for all the books in the bible. I bought the set that had 6 volumes in it. in order to truly LIVE the word, I needed to first UNDERSTAND it completely. The book is organized so you can read a segment of the scripture. Then go back and read the bible commentary. There are good questions at the end of each segment that open the floor for good dialogue for any size group.

Wiersbe knows how to take the big ideas and put them in common language on the bottom shelf so everyone can reach it. Love his books.

I'm only on chapter 4 but this is a great book for a small group study. Really down to earth and easily able to understand.

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