

DO YOU WANT TO BE BLESSED?

THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS

Psalm 33:6-12 Jeff Schreve

How are you pursuing happiness?

1. Many people are pursuing happiness in another god.

*The sorrows of those who have bartered for another god
will be multiplied. Psalm 16:4*

A. The god of money cannot make you happy.

*Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless
to think that wealth brings true happiness! Ecclesiastes 5:10 NLT*

*Riches do not profit in the day of wrath, but righteousness
delivers from death. Proverbs 11:4*

B. The god of success cannot make you happy.

*But as I looked at everything I had worked so hard to accomplish, it
was all so meaningless—like chasing the wind. There was nothing
really worthwhile anywhere. Ecclesiastes 2:11 NLT*

C. The god of pleasure cannot make you happy.

*I said to myself, “Come on, let’s try pleasure. Let’s look for the
‘good things’ in life.” But I found that this, too, was meaningless.
Ecclesiastes 2:1 NLT*

*“Thou hast made us for Thyself, O Lord, and our hearts our restless
until they find their rest in Thee.” Augustine (354-430 AD)*

2. You can pursue happiness in the true God.

A. The true God is the creator God.

*By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the
breath of His mouth all their hosts. Psalm 33:6*

B. The true God is the sovereign God.

The LORD frustrates the plans of the nations and thwarts all their schemes. But the LORD's plans stand firm forever; His intentions can never be shaken. Psalm 33:10-11 NLT

C. The true God is the awesome God.

Let all the earth fear the LORD; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast. Psalm 33:8-9

D. The true God is Yahweh God.

And she will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins. Matthew 1:21

E. The true God is calling us to return to Him.

"From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from My statutes, and have not kept them. Return to Me, and I will return to you," says the LORD of hosts. Malachi 3:7

"And I searched for a man among them who should build up the wall and stand in the gap before Me for the land, that I should not destroy it; but I found no one." Ezekiel 22:30

Happy people are those who are right with God!