



**Be Successful In Your Ministry 2017**

**Metropolitan Baptist Church**

**Weekly Bible Study**

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**Study Subject: A Study of the Book of Philippians 41**

**Sub-subject: Be Joyful: Even when things go wrong you can have joy**

**Psalm 119:97**

**Date of Lesson: 4/5/2017**

**Theme: The Joy of the Lord**  
**Chapter 2: Submissive Mind**

- I. **The Four Attitudes That Maintain Your Joy**
  1. **The Single Mind**
  2. **The Submissive Mind**
  3. **The Spiritual Mind**
  4. **The Secure Mind**

**Open It:**

- I. How Christians deal with something must be different from those who are in the world. T F
  - II. Is there a difference between Christians who are disputing over an issue and Christians who are disagreeing over an issue? \_\_\_\_\_
  - III. What happens when the world see us acting just like them? \_\_\_\_\_
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**Explore It:**

**\I. The Distinct Difference (2:14,15)**

- a. Growth can causes **friction** and **friction** causes **fraction**
- b. **14: Complaining or arguing:** Plainly stated, what is Paul tell the believers to do. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Complaining and arguing are outward expressions of what is taking place on the inside of a person.
- d. Why is this kind of behavior dangerous to a ministry?  
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- e. Is Paul saying we are not allowed to disagree? \_\_\_\_\_
- f. What is **constructive criticism**? \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Can we be critical of something without **condemnation**? \_\_\_\_\_
- h. We must learn to allow the Holy Spirit to lead us in all things.
- i. James 1:19 Read