9. Who was the real captive: Paul or the guard? 22. What kinds of things happen when a person gains confidence? 10. God sometimes puts us where we could never think of going on our own or desire to go and permits things to happen so we could do what? 11. Though you might not be like D.L. Moody, you are still called to do 23. The third reason given in our text for why we should rejoice in our circumstances is because circumstances prompt/produce what? what? 12. Humanly speaking, circumstances are God's avenue to what? 24. Do you get pumped up and rejuvenated when you hear or see others 13. How we view circumstances and respond determines whether we do overcome obstacles in their lives? what? 25. Who are some examples of people who overcame obstacles in life? 14. Circumstances are a divine appointment with what? 15. The second reason given in our text for why we should rejoice in our circumstances is because circumstances prompt what? 16. Paul's imprisonment/testimony prompted confidence and the source 26. It takes what to stand up and be counted for Christ? of the confidence is whom? 27. Moses had courage to despise what? 17. We prompt non-Christians (and Christians) to seek and trust in God based upon our what? 28. The word, "courage" in the Greek language refers to a willingness to do what? 18. Do you respond differently to your circumstances than unbelievers 29. The emphasis of verse 14 wasn't on what was spoken but on the fact do? that they spoke without what? 19. Many unbelievers respond well to tough circumstances and do good 30. Do your circumstances control you or do you control them? deeds to do what? 20. How can you tell "the players from the fans"? 31. Are you frightened by what has and is happening—of what lies ahead? 21. Circumstances are a means to temper and sharpen us that we may be 32. What happened to Horatio Spafford? victorious and instill what in us?

- 33. How did Spafford respond to the tragedy in his life?
- 34. Our circumstances are a divine appointment with opportunity. We should do what in them?
- 35. Do you?

"The Bible was not given to make you a smarter sinner, but rather to make you more like Christ!"

Dr. Howard Hendricks

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- » How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- >>> How can I accomplish this change?
- >>> What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

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"MOMMA DON'T LET YOUR BABIES GROW UP TO BE MISSIONARIES!"

Romans 1:18-23

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: "Momma Don't Let Your Babies Grow Up To Be Missionaries". All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- 1. Which of the "circumstances" listed by Pastor Dave can you relate to most?
- 2. What answer does Paul give us for fast relief from "circumstances" that we experience?
- 3. Where does Paul give us this answer?
- 4. The Philippian believers were worried about what?
- 5. In essence, Paul was telling the believers to not worry, to look at the bright side for he had a new what?
- 6. Pastor Dave submits to us that we can do what, regardless of our circumstances?
- 7. The first reason given in our text for why we should rejoice in our circumstances is because circumstances provide what?
- 8. At full strength, how many men were in a Praetorian guard?

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