

Why we should have the MOST fun!

What Kind of Fun?

Active Fun

1 Timothy 4:8 (TEV)

Physical exercise has some value, but spiritual exercise is valuable in every way, because it promises life both for the present and the future.

Selfless Fun

1 Corinthians 10:31-33

Well, I'll tell you why. It is because you must do everything for the glory of God, even your eating and drinking. So don't be a stumbling block to anyone, whether they are Jews or Gentiles or Christians. That is the plan I follow, too. I try to please everyone in everything I do, not doing what I like or what is best for me but what is best for them, so that they may be saved.

Personal Fun

1 Corinthians 6:12

I can do anything I want to if Christ has not said no, but some of these things aren't good for me. Even if I am allowed to do them, I'll refuse to if I think they might get such a grip on me that I can't easily stop when I want to.

How to have the MOST fun:



Maintain a lifestyle of <u>celebration</u> and <u>laughter</u>.

Psalms 16:11 (GW)

You make the path of life known to me. Complete joy is in your presence. Pleasures are by your side forever.

Psalm 118:24 (MSG)

This is the very day God acted—let's celebrate and be festive!

Proverbs 15:15 (LB)

When a man is gloomy, everything seems to go wrong; when he is cheerful, everything seems right!



Observe holidays and traditions for the sake of others.

Romans 14:5-6 (MSG)

Or, say, one person thinks that some days should be set aside as holy and another thinks that each day is pretty much like any other. There are good reasons either way. So, each person is free to follow the convictions of conscience. What's important in all this is that if you keep a holy day, keep it for God's sake; if you eat meat, eat it to the glory of God and thank God for prime rib; if you're a vegetarian, eat vegetables to the glory of God and thank God for broccoli.

1 Corinthians 9:19-23

Even though I am free of the demands and expectations of everyone, I have voluntarily become a servant to any and all in order to reach a wide range of people: religious, nonreligious, meticulous moralists, loose-living immoralists, the defeated, the demoralized—whoever. I didn't take on their way of life. I kept my bearings in Christ—but I entered their world and tried to experience things from their point of view. I've become just about every sort of servant there is in my attempts to lead those I meet into a Godsaved life. I did all this because of the Message. I didn't just want to talk about it; I wanted to be in on it!

3 Share what I've got with everyone I know.

Acts 2:44-47 (TEV)

All the believers continued together in close fellowship and shared their belongings with one another. They would sell their property and possessions, and distribute the money among all, according to what each one needed. Day after day they met as a group in the Temple, and they had their meals together in their homes, eating with glad and humble hearts, praising God, and enjoying the good will of all the people. And every day the Lord added to their group those who were being saved.

"Generosity is not giving me that which I need more than you do, but it is giving me that which you need more than I do." - Author unknown

Isaiah 58:7 (TEV)

Share your food with the hungry and open your homes to the homeless and poor. Give clothes to those who have nothing to wear, and do not refuse help to your own relatives.

Proverbs 11:24-25 (TEV)

Some people spend their money freely and still grow richer. Others are cautious, and yet grow poorer. Be generous, and you will be prosperous. Help others, and you will be helped.



Take life seriously, but not myself.

Ecclesiastes 7:19-22 (TEV)

Wisdom does more for a person than ten rulers can do for a city. There is no one on earth who does what is right all the time and never makes a mistake. Don't pay attention to everything people say—you may hear your servant insulting you, and you know yourself that you have insulted other people many times.

Micah 6:8 (MSG)

But he's already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It's quite simple: Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don't take yourself too seriously—take God seriously.

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