The Key to Happiness

1. Be thankful.

Col. 3:17, 4:2; I Thess. 5:17; Eph. 5:3-4, 20 Note! A major characteristic of the last days and our present day, is unthankfulness. II Tim. 3:1-2

- 2. Start with this: Establish a good relationship with Jesus Christ. Matt. 16:13-18
 - A. Abraham was called "a friend of God".

Jas. 2:23; Isa. 41:8

- B. Jesus called His disciples "friends" Jn 15:14-15
- C. God referred to David as a man after my own heart.Act. 13:22
- D. Be thankful for everything and give God praise and thanksgiving often.
- 3. Matthew 13:3-8 The sower, the seed and the ground. See **vs. 18-23.**
 - A. Notice the difference between the last two grounds. They represent the visible church, but only the good ground was fruitful.
 - B. Why the thorny ground was unfruitful. vs. 22
- 4. The failure of Achan. **Josh. 6:17-18, 7:21.** He was just 25 miles from home.
 - A. Compare with Eve in the Garden of Eden. Gen. 3:6,8
 - B. Demos II Tim. 4:10
 - C. "Love not the world..." I Jn. 2:15-17