



COMING SOON!

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING
THURSDAY September 11, 5:30 p.m.

LADIES WOMEN IN THE WORD
Bible Study September 20, 10, a.m.
Chapters 9 & 10

SEPTEMBER 26 SURPRISE EVENT

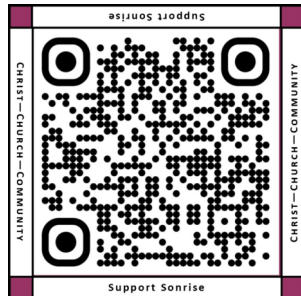
MEN'S SEEKERS OF TRUTH
Bible Study

September 27, 9 a.m. chapter 8

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Jesus & the Promise of JOY

- ♦ “These things I have spoken to you so that My _____ may be in you, and that your _____ may be made full. John 15.11
- ♦ you will grieve, but your grief will be turned into _____. John 16.20
- ♦ I will see you again, and your heart will _____, and no one will take your _____ away from you. John 16.22
- ♦ “Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your _____ may be made full. John 16.24
- ♦ ““But now I come to You; and these things I speak in the world so that they may have My _____ made full in themselves. . John 17.13
- ♦ According to the New Testament believers are a _____ or _____ people. This is promised over 30 times. i.e. Matthew 5.5,-11



Limits to Happiness

♦ Happiness used to be limited to:

- ♦ The _____
- ♦ The _____
- ♦ The _____
- ♦ The _____

Jesus & The Limits to Happiness

- ♦ Jesus promised Happiness to
- ♦ The Children of _____ Galatians 3.26
- ♦ The _____ to Sin in Christ 1 Thessalonians 4.16, Romans 6.11
- ♦ The _____ Filled believer Acts 1.8
- ♦ The _____ in faith •James 2.5



This week's we are focused on the PROMISE of JOY! Each of the stories this week deals with a type of Joy.

MONDAY—Read The Birth of Jesus: The Joy of Christmas (Luke 2:8-20) Who is joyful in this story? How is their joy different? How is it a shared common Joy? How does this story bring Joy in our modern times?

TUESDAY—Read The Wedding at Cana: The Joy of a Miracle (John 2:1-11) How does this miracle demonstrate Jesus' desire for the joy of the believer? How does the presence of Christ at the wedding change everything? How can this be applied to our lives as believers?

WEDNESDAY—Read The Story of the Prodigal Son: The Joy of Reconciliation (Luke 15:11-32) What sorrow do we witness in this story? Reconcile means to mutually change. How are the key characters in the story changed for the better? How should this help us in accepting those returning to Christ?

THURSDAY—Read The Samaritan Woman at the Well: The Joy of Transformation (John 4:1-42) Why was the woman sorrowful? Why was the woman filled with Joy? What was the key to her Joy and transformation? How can such joy change others?

FRIDAY—Read The Healing of the Paralytic: The Joy of a Best Friend Healed. (Mark 2:1-12) How were others involved in bringing joy to the paralytic? What key lessons do we learn here in helping others find joy?

BONUS - Read The Conversion of Zacchaeus: The Joy of Salvation (Luke 19:1-10). In what ways did Jesus provide joy to Zacchaeus? What should we learn from this about how to share joy with others? How is such joy contagious?

- ♦ “The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found and hid again; and from _____ over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Matthew 13.44
- ♦ The _____ : The absolute Joy in sharing our daily lives with the God of creation.
- ♦ “His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the _____ of your master.’ Matthew 25.21
- ♦ The _____ : The message we share because we know it is true.
- ♦ And they left the tomb quickly with fear and great _____ and ran to report it to His disciples. Matthew 28.8



- ♦ _____ is a way to measure our progress in our relationship with Jesus and our _____ as a believer.
- ♦ “...continue with all of you for your progress and _____ in faith,” Philippians 1.25
- ♦ _____ is the natural result of _____ , _____ & _____ .
- ♦ _____ in the Lord always; again I will say, _____ . Philippians 4.4

Directions to the Joyful

- ♦ Sing for _____ in the LORD... Play skillfully with a shout of joy. Ps. 33.1, 3
- ♦ _____ yourself in the LORD; Ps. 37.4
- ♦ _____ in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! Phil. 4.4
- ♦ Let us be glad and _____ , and let us give honor to him. Revelation 19.7



5 Reasons for Joy in the Believer

- ♦ **FIRST** _____ is a Character _____ of God
- ♦ God the _____ : the joy of the _____ is your strength.” Nehemiah 8.10
- ♦ God the _____ : “These things I have spoken to you so that My _____ may be in you, John 15.11
- ♦ God the _____ : the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and _____ in the _____ . Romans 14.17

- ♦ **SECOND** _____ is included in the _____ of the Spirit given to every believer.
- ♦ But the fruit of the Spirit is love, _____, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Galatians 5.22-23
- ♦ **THIRD** _____ is designed to help _____ the individual
- ♦ A _____ heart is good medicine, Proverbs 17.22
- ♦ **FOURTH:** _____ is part of our _____ and comes because we are forgiven and have a new outlook on life.
- ♦ Restore to me the _____ of Your _____
And sustain me with a willing spirit. Psalm 51.12



- ♦ **FIFTH:** _____ is part of the Christian experience
- ♦ though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly _____ with _____ inexpressible and full of glory, obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls. 1 Peter 1.8-9

- ♦ These things we write, so that our _____ may be made complete. 1 John 1.4
- ♦ that in a great ordeal of affliction their abundance of _____ and their deep poverty overflowed in the wealth of their liberality. 2 Corinthians 8.2



Joy in the Book of Matthew

- ♦ The _____ : The one factor that all humans share. The need to find God and worship Him.
- ♦ For we saw His star in the east and have come to _____ Him." Matthew 2.1
- ♦ When they saw the star, they _____ exceedingly with great _____. Matthew 2.10
- ♦ The _____ : Discovering the answer to all the questions of life is a real person who loves us.