



WEEK 3 • GROWING IN JOY

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But the fruit of the Spirit is love, **joy**... Galatians 5:22a

GOD DESIGNED OUR FAITH TO BE FULL OF JOY:

Be **joyful** at your festival! Deuteronomy 16:14a

The **joy** of the LORD is your strength. Nehemiah 8:10b

The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of **great joy** which will be for all the people. Luke 2:10

I have told you these things so that you will be **filled with joy**. John 15:11

Be **joyful** always... 1 Thessalonians 5:16

Rejoice in the Lord always; I will say it again: **Rejoice!** Philippians 4:4

THREE COMMON KILL-JOYS

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THREE KEYS TO RECOVERING MY JOY

PHILIPPIANS 4:8-13

1. Reorient _____

Finally, my brothers and sisters, **fix your thoughts** on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. Philippians 4:8

Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from me— everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you. Philippians 4:9 (See Acts 16:16-40)

2. Roll _____

I have learned how to be content with whatever I have. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. Philippians 4:11,12 (See 1:12,13; 4:22)

3. Rest _____

I can do all things **through Christ**, who gives me strength. Philippians 4:13 (See 3:9)

The **grace** of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen. Philippians 4:23

THE JOY CYCLE:

As you _____ God's grace, you are _____ to Him

As you are _____ to Him, you'll _____ him more deeply...



RESOURCES USED FOR THIS MESSAGE

- Max Lucado, "Your Inheritance is Waiting for You to Claim It", Relevant Magazine, Sept-Oct 2018
- Rick Warren, "The Power of Joy", sermon at Saddleback Church

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