

WORSHIP

JOY/FULL
Joy in Christ | **Philippians 1:20-27**
Pastor Tony Willsher | May 10, 2020

SMALL GROUP GUIDE

Followers of Christ are called to:

1. A JOYFUL: _____

2. A JOYFUL: _____

3. A JOYFUL: _____

Are you pursuing _____ or _____?

NEXT WEEK: JOY/FULL Philippians 2

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1. WELCOME

If anyone has had a significant event in their life this past week, give them a minute to share with the group. If necessary, take some time to pray for any immediate needs right at the beginning of the meeting.

2. VISION/PURPOSE

God designed us for relationship. How can we stay connected with each other during the COVID-19 epidemic?

3. SMALL GROUP GUIDELINES

Review guidelines (Use "I" Statements, No Fixing, Confidentiality, Listening) that cultivate a healthy environment for sharing and discussion.

4. OPENING PRAYER

5. READ SCRIPTURE PASSAGE/TELL BIBLE STORY PASSAGE

6. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use a good mix of Head (informational/study) questions, Heart (personal reflection) questions, and Hand (practical application) questions. Below are questions your group can pick from to follow along with the sermon series.

7. PERSONAL SHARING AND PRAYER REQUESTS

You can share and pray in one group, in smaller groups, or in gender specific groups. Make sure that phone numbers are shared so that encouragement and connection can happen during the week.

QUESTIONS

WARM UP: Share about a time when a "good Samaritan" helped you?

HEAD: These questions help us examine the Word.

1. Read Philippians Chapter 1 together. How do you observe Paul's joy in Christ?
2. What is the difference between joy and happiness? Are they completely different? Similar?

HEART: These questions help us wrestle with what we believe.

3. What is the most eager expectation in your life?
4. What is the most common tension you deal with in your life (ex. Faith & Fear, Challenge & Support)
5. Are you pursuing happiness or joy with your life? Where do you find your joy?

HAND: These questions help us bring truth and beliefs into our everyday life.

6. Based on how you live your life, what would your "mission statement" be?
7. How can we pursue honoring Jesus together with a joyful expectation?
8. Should we memorize 2 Corinthians 5:20 together? Who would be willing to do that?