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# MOSAIC Advent 2022

*Longing for the Light*

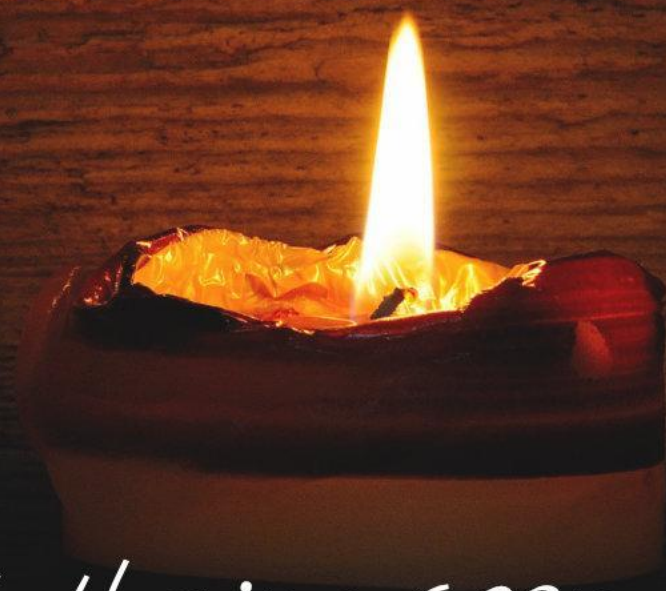
Nov 27: Hope

Dec 4: Love

Dec 11: Joy

Dec 18: Peace

Dec 23: Light [*Christmas Gathering 6:30p - 7:30p*]



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# Joy

ADVENT WEEK 3



Love is...

“the overflow and expansion of **joy**  
**in God**, which gladly meets the  
needs of others”

**(John Piper – *The Dangerous Duty of Delight*)**



## [Christian] Joy is...

“a good feeling, in the soul, produced by the Holy Spirit as He causes us to see the beauty of Christ in the Word and in the world.”

**(John Piper – *Desiring God Article*)**



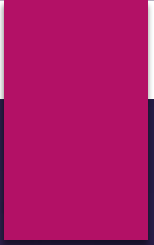
**Biblical** - Joy / Happiness

vs.

**Worldly** - Joy / Happiness



“The joy of the Lord is my strength.”



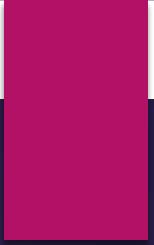
“Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and teacher of the Law, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, "This day is holy to the LORD your God. Do not mourn or weep."



For all the people had been weeping as they listened to the words of the Law. Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, **for the joy of the LORD is your strength.**" (Neh 8:9-10, NIV)

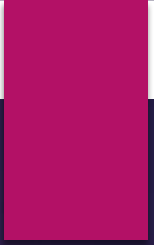


How Does the Joy of the  
Lord Provide Strength?



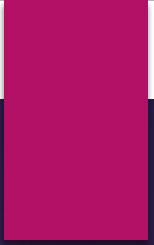
For the LORD your God is living among you. He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in you with gladness. With his love, he will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs.

**(Zephaniah 3:17)**



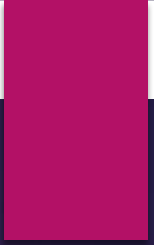
You make known to me the path of  
life; you will fill me with joy in your  
presence, with eternal pleasures  
at your right hand.

**(Psalm 16:11)**



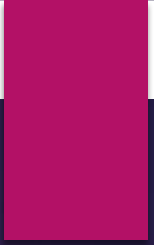
With joy you will draw water from the  
wells of salvation.

**(Isaiah 12:3)**



To each one of us grace  
has been given.

**(Ephesians 4:7)**



So we praise God for the glorious  
grace he has poured out on us who  
belong to his dear Son.

**(Ephesians 1:6)**



My grace is sufficient for you, for my  
power is made perfect in weakness.

**(2 Corinthians 12:9)**



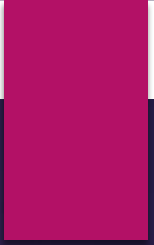


# WHAT IS THE DEEPEST ROOT OF YOUR JOY?

What God GIVES to you?

- or -

What God IS to you?



As believers our 'joy' is not defined by  
our present PROBLEMS... rather, it is  
defined by our **future PROMISES!!**



Jesus Over You!!