



INTRODUCTION

Finding Joy in Uncertain Times—Part 6

These days, we are bombarded with news stories and social media messages related to the pandemic, cyberattacks, global warming, the divided nation, etc., etc. These are certainly troubling and trying times. So how do we find joy when there is so much uncertainty and suffering in the world?

Learn how to remain joyful as we follow the series titled, *Finding Joy in Uncertain Times*. The series will be based upon the New Testament book of Philippians, where we will learn what the Apostle Paul discovered about finding joy despite our circumstances.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Do you think that, for most people, their joy and happiness are tied to their circumstances? In other words, do you believe they are happy when things are going well, but they not happy when things aren't going well? Explain your answer. Can you think of personal examples in your own life?
2. Read Philippians 4:11-14. Why is it important that our happiness not be based on our circumstances?
3. How would you explain what Paul's secret was?
4. Read John 15:1-8. How might these verses tie into Paul's claim, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me?" What can we do to strengthen our relationship with Christ?
5. How might you apply this lesson to your life?

PROBLEM: We lack contentment because we haven't learned Paul's secret

TAKEAWAY: Ultimate joy is found in Christ

KEY VERSES (HCSB)

Philippians 4:10-20
2 Corinthians 11:24-27