

Weekend Message Questions
Advent
Week 3: Joy
December 09-10, 2023

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CHECK-IN: *Check with the members of your group to see how they are doing.*

What part(s) of the Christmas season says “Joy” to you?
Have you RSVP’d for the Christmas Eve services at Hope Fellowship?

READ: James 1:2-4

DISCUSS: What stands out to you in this passage?

What is a trial?

Can you share a situation or circumstance in your life where you found joy in the midst of a struggle?

What are some of the obstacles to applying this verse to our life?

Struggle Leads to Strength

Can you share about an experience you’ve had where you grew or were strengthened through a struggle in your life?

READ: Romans 12:9-17

DISCUSS: In your own words, what is the overall message of this passage?

Have you had someone in your life who modeled the principles in this passage? Tell us about them. How did that impact your life?

Joy Can be Learned

What have you learned about yourself and what have you learned about Jesus through your experiences with the idea of joy?

What do you think would happen if instead of asking, “How could God let this happen?” we ask, “Who else has God brought through this situation who could be an encouragement?”

READ: Jeremiah 6:16

DISCUSS: From your perspective, what does this passage reveal about joy?

What are some benefits of applying this verse to your life? What would it look like for you personally?

Joy is the Steadfast Belief in God’s Promises.

How can you apply this idea of joy into your life this week?

Pray to close.

Can you use prayer? <https://hopefellowship.net/prayer-request/>