

Psalm 4 “Joy in My Heart”

Main Point: *The wealth of knowing Christ transcends anything else we can gain.*

I. Trust God’s goodness (vv. 1–3).

James 1:5–8, “5 *If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. 6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. 7 For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; 8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.*” Proverbs 28:4, “*Those who forsake the law praise the wicked, but those who keep the law strive against them.*”

II. Trust in the Lord includes repentance (vv. 3–6).

Luke 9:23–25, “23 *And he said to all, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. 25 For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself?”* Luke 23:34, “³⁴ *And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”* And they cast lots to divide his garments.” Philippians 4:6–7, “⁶ *do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*”

III. The joy of the Lord is priceless (vv. 7–8).