

Life Group questions for Matthew 3:13-17, The Happy Land of the Triune God

This week we learned that the God of the Bible is fundamentally and thoroughly happy. We saw this, primarily, in the story of Jesus' baptism. One statement Reed made was, *Once you see the happiness of God "somewhere" in Scripture, you will see it "everywhere."*

Think about and discuss this statement. Where else do you find evidence for the happiness of God in the Bible? Think about, for example, creation, the Psalms, the miracles of Jesus, and so on.

Share with your group a brief history of how you have understood God during your lifetime. How have you understood God over the years? Have you understood God to be angry? Distant? Merciful?

The Bible says much about the wrath of God. It speaks of his coming judgment, his antipathy toward sin, his unwavering justice. How do these biblical teachings fit into the biblical truth that God is happy?

What difference does the happiness of God make in your life presently? What difference would you like this truth to make in your life.