

This church is made up of people who give sacrificially.

This church is made up of loyal people.

This church is made up of salt of the earth people.

This church demonstrates a joy that is found in Christ.

This morning take a minute and give me your best definition of biblical joy.

Biblical joy is a gladness that comes from our relationship with God.

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13

You will make known to me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; in Your right hand there are pleasures forever. Psalm 16:11

Biblical joy is an assurance that God is in control no matter our circumstances.

Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. James 1:2-3

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Philippians 4:4

Biblical joy is a deep seated pleasure that ignites a cheerful heart and leads to cheerful behavior.

This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

So that I may come to you in joy by the will of God and find refreshing rest in your company. Romans 15:32

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:10-11

And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased. Luke 2:12-14

When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds began saying to one another, "Let us go straight to Bethlehem then, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us." Luke 2:15

So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger. Luke 2:16

When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child. Luke 2:17

And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds. Luke 2:18

But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart. Luke 2:19

The shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them. Luke 2:20

These things we write, so that our joy may be made complete. 1 John 1:4

Who is the person you can think of that demonstrates biblical joy?

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A relationship with God hinges on our understanding of the words He spoke.

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A relationship with God hinges on a personal encounter with the living Christ.

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A relationship with God hinges on a belief in the resurrected Christ.

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These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full. John 15:11

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What we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. 1 John 1:3

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