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Bible Study

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9 QUALITIES THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE

What if I told you that you can experience the kind of life that God desires for all of His children! The kind of life that would not only change you now – but also change your future! Well, that’s what this new Bible Study series is all about. This study is about how we can develop the character that God wants for us by the indwelling “Fruit of the Spirit”.

SECOND QUALITY – JOY

I. Description:

The quality of joy is an inward peace that is not affected by outward circumstances.

II, The Difference Between Happiness and Joy

- Happiness is about what happens to you; it depends on your circumstances.
- Joy is about your relationship with Christ! It is something you have access to – but it’s also something you must choose! When a believer lives with agape love he/she will experience joy!

III. The Christian Life Is Filled With Joy

1. At Salvation

- Lost sheep
- Lost coin
- Lost son
- Ethiopian eunuch
- Philippian jailer

Luke 15:1-7
v. 8-10
v. 20-24
Acts 8:35-39
Acts 16:25-34

2. At Baptism

- Joy should be a part of baptism.

Matthew 3:13-17

3. During Trials and Tribulations

- We place our trust in God and He provides the joy.

James 1:2-3

4. At Death

- Christian joy is so complete and lasting that it stays with us even while dealing with death!

Revelation 14:13

IV. How To Develop A Life of Joy

1. By submitting to the Spirit of God.
2. By studying the Word of God.
3. By spending time in prayer.
4. By sharing your life and joy with others.
5. By having a right relationship with Jesus.

Romans 14:17; 1st Thess. 1-6
Jeremiah 15:16
John 16:24
Nehemiah 8:10
John 15:9-12

Brothers and sisters, joy isn’t an emotion that comes and goes. It is an attitude that comes and grows!