

## **Life Group Questions – Week 3: Joy for the Broken**

Scripture: Luke 1:39–56

Theme: Joy shows up where Jesus shows up.

### **1. When Joy Leaps Into the Room**

Read: Luke 1:39–41

Question: Why do you think Mary “hurried” to Elizabeth, and what does that tell us about seeking godly people when we’re overwhelmed?

Life Application: Identify one person in your life who consistently points you toward Jesus. Reach out to them this week for encouragement—or be that person for someone else.

### **2. Blessed Is She Who Believed**

Read: Luke 1:42–45

Question: Elizabeth blesses Mary for believing God’s promise even when she didn’t understand the path ahead. Where have you struggled to trust God’s promises lately?

Life Application: Write down one promise of God you need to cling to this week (Psalm 145:13; Philippians 1:6). Pray over it daily.

### **3. Joy in the Middle of Brokenness**

Read: Luke 1:46–49

Question: Mary rejoices before anything in her situation changes. How does her example challenge our idea of when joy is possible?

Life Application: Choose one area of difficulty and intentionally worship God in it this week—play a worship song, pray out loud, or journal your praise.

### **4. God Sees the Humble**

Read: Luke 1:48–50

Question: Mary says God “has been mindful” of her. What does it mean to you that God sees your story, your struggle, and your heart?

Life Application: Share with someone in your group one place where you need to be reminded that God sees you. Pray for each other by name.

### **5. Joy Shows Up Where Jesus Shows Up**

Read: 2 Corinthians 12:9–10

Question: Paul teaches that God's power is made perfect in weakness. How have you seen Jesus show up in your weakness—and how did that change your joy?

Life Application: This week, when you feel weak or stressed, pause and pray: "Jesus, show up here." Look for signs of His strength in that moment.

## **6. Worship Turns Weight Into Joy**

Read: Luke 1:46–55

Question: Mary begins to worship, and her worship shifts her perspective. How has worship helped you move from weariness to joy in past seasons?

Life Application: Set aside 10 minutes three times this week to intentionally worship—no agenda, just lifting your heart to God.

## **7. Bringing Joy to Keizer**

Read: Luke 2:10

Question: The angel declares "good news of great joy for all people." As a church, what's one practical way we can bring that joy into our city this Christmas?

Life Application: As a group, choose one actionable step to bless someone in Keizer—an encouragement, a meal, a visit, or an invitation to church.