



HTC Small Group

Discussion Questions

Sermon Title: Joy to the World

Sermon Date: December 11, 2016

Scripture: Luke 2:9-11

Speaker: Pastor Rod Randall

1. When you think of Christmas, what memories bring you great joy?
2. If your joy comes from receiving gifts (as an adult or child) is that a good or bad thing? Explain.
3. READ Luke 2:9-11
4. How is the joy we experience different than the joy the shepherds experienced in the first Christmas?
5. What brings you the most joy when you think of Jesus as your Savior?
6. Read John 16:20-22. What will turn their grief to joy? On what basis can Jesus promise “no one will take away your joy”?
7. Read John 16:24. According to this verse, what does the Lord know will bring us joy? Can you give any “joyful” examples of this?
8. Read 2 Corinthians 7:4-7. What is a huge source of joy for the Apostle Paul?
9. In what ways does your church family bring you joy?
10. Read Philippians 1:4-5. What about the Philippians brings Paul joy? What can we learn from this?
11. Read John 15:10-11. What is the secret to joy in this passage?
12. Why is there such a clear connection between Jesus as Lord, obeying His commands, and receiving His joy?
13. In reflecting on your Small Group’s last ten weeks together, what has worked well for you? What hasn’t worked so well? What changes would you suggest?