



Joy

Galatians 5:22-24

Weekend of July 11-12, 2020

NorthRidge Value of the Week

Prayer - We value prayer, as essential for bringing about spiritual change.

Sermon Summary

If you were to write a list of words to describe 2020 how long, if ever, would it be before you used the word joy? The fact is this year has been difficult and at times joyless. So, how as Christians can we obtain, and display the fruit of joy in our lives? Come this week as we study the fruit of joy.

Discussion Questions

What is the one thing that is guaranteed to bring you pure joy?

How have you found joy in the midst of an unusual first half to 2020?

READ Galatians 5:13-26

The “fruit” that should be produced in the life of a Christ-follower is found in verses 22-23. In light of this, how are these things best seen in your life?

Specifically speaking of the Spiritual Fruit of *Joy*, how are you showing your joy?

In the sermon, Mike Stella shared the application through the vision of NorthRidge Fellowship – Love God, Love Each Other, Make a Difference. Work through these three areas and discuss how Joy can be seen in you and through you:

- 1) **Love God** – “Joy is the direct result of hope.” (John 3:16; Ephesians 3:20; Romans 8:38)
- 2) **Love Each Other** – “Joy increases as we get beyond ourselves and help others in the Church.” (Proverbs 11:25; Acts 20:35)
- 3) **Make a Difference** – “Joy is complete when we proclaim the Gospel.” (1 John 1:1-4)

Sermon Response

How did the Holy Spirit work in your heart through this sermon?

Memory Passage

Proverbs 11:25 – “A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.”

Verses We Read Together in Worship

Psalm 36:6-7

Songs We Sang Together in Worship

Glorious Day

It Is Well

On and On

What a Beautiful Name