

The Fruit of the Spirit: Joy

Series: *Christ's Life Revealed in Us*
 – Gal. 5:22-23; Nehemiah 8 –

The joy of the Lord is experienced in. . .

1. Our **Exaltation** of His Word

2. Our **Exultation** in His Word

3. Our **Application** of His Word

Application Questions. . .

1. What part of the text or message had the greatest impact on you? Where were you most encouraged, intrigued, or challenged?
2. Has what you've learned as a Christian given you a generally positive or negative view of happiness? Why?
3. Do you think people would describe our church as a joyful place? Why or why not?
4. While joy and happiness overlap, they are not exactly the same. How would you describe the difference?
5. Re-read I Peter 1:8-9. Is it truly possible to have this level of joy, regardless of the circumstances? Wouldn't that involve denying reality?
6. Is depression a sin (always, sometimes, never)? Defend your answer biblically.
7. Which of the three points from this chapter would be the most foundational to your own personal, joyful renewal? Why?
8. Which of the three points from this chapter would be the most foundational to the joyful renewal of our church? Why?

