

JOY TO THE WORLD

December 13, 2020

Luke 2:8-14, Psalm 98

I. God's joy came to _____ in Jesus. – Luke 2:8-14

"The Lord made known His salvation," through the birth and life of Jesus Christ. When we enter the presence of the Savior by faith our lives overflow with joy. How has the presence of Jesus as your Savior filled your heart and life with joy? What evidence do others see of the joy you have in Jesus? If you lack joy in Christ what does that mean?

God's joy is for _____.

God gives joy in the _____.

II. God's joy comes to our _____ in Jesus. — v. 10-11, Psalm 98

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

For those in Christ, the joy we experience now is only a foretaste of the fullness of joy we will experience at His second coming and in eternity with Him. Meditate on the future unhindered, unending, unspeakable joy you will have with Christ. How does that help prepare your heart for Christmas? Who else can you help find that same joy this Christmas?



When Jesus's presence _____ God's joy floods my life.

III. God's joy will come in _____ in Jesus. — v. 6, 9

Joy will sustain me if I _____ with Him as I _____ for Him.

**THE PRESENCE OF JESUS IS THE PRESENCE
OF _____. IF YOU LACK JOY FIND _____.**

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This Month: \$8,819.00

Last Month: \$33,689.00

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SMALL GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. STUDY THE SCRIPTURE

Read Luke 2:8-14. What was the emphasis of the angel's message? Why did God send them to earth? Why did God pick shepherds as the audience of His massive angel choir?

Read Psalm 98 and Isaiah 55:12-13. Why is the Psalmist praising God in this passage? What is the passage prophesying about? How do these passages bring both sorrow and joy? How do these passages relate to Christmas?

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

What are some things you find joy in at Christmas? What are some things at Christmas that can sometimes steal your joy? How does the story of the shepherds and angels help you better understand God's desire for joy in your life? How can you experience more of His joy this Christmas?

