

THE PROMISED GIFT

Discussion Questions

12.15.19

THE GIFT OF JOY

The gift of Christ is joy.

1. Isaiah 35:2 says the wilderness will shout for joy. When was the last time you shouted for joy? What happened and why did it bring you such happiness?
2. Isaiah 35:10 says that those who have been rescued by God will enter Zion with singing and “everlasting joy will crown their heads.” Do you feel like you are “wearing” everlasting joy these days?
3. Is joy an accurate description for your demeanor? If so, why do you think that’s the case? If not, what is the reason?
4. In Luke 2 the angel says the arrival of Jesus will be great joy for all the people. If the gift of Christ is contagious joy, how can we convey this to those who don’t yet know Christ?
5. How can our sense of joy empower us to invite people into an experience with Jesus this year?
6. Nehemiah says “the joy of the Lord is our strength.” In what area of your life do you feel fatigued this season? Is it family relationship? Financial decisions? Physical health challenges?
7. How does the gift of joy enable us to face these challenges head on?

Key OLD TESTAMENT Scriptures

Isaiah 35:1-10
Isaiah 9:1-3
Nehemiah 8:10-12

Key NEW TESTAMENT Scriptures

Luke 2:10-11