

SERMON NOTES

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HAPPINESS & JOY! Luke 2:8-11 December 15, 2024

Happiness

"Happiness comes from what Happens."

Joy

"Joy comes from <u>Jesus!</u>"

Happiness v. Joy

Joy transcends. Happiness <u>reacts</u>.

Joy is a practice and a behavior: It's deliberate and intentional.

Happiness comes and goes along its way.

Joy is a <u>fruit of the Spirit</u>, but Happiness is not. (Galatians 5:22-23)

Great Joy is Christ the Lord.

How to Choose Joy

Choose Joy By <u>surrendering to Jesus!</u> (Romans 10:9,10)

Choose joy by trusting Jesus! (Romans 15:13)

- Reading, praying & obeying Jesus!

Believing in the promises of God.

POINTS TO PONDER:

- 1. What is my first step in choosing Joy?
- 2. Who can I introduce to Jesus this month?
- 3. Who am I going to bless this Christmas?