



Gospel Community Study Questions

Advent 2024 | Made for Joy

Key Passages: *Isaiah 8:19 - 9:7; John 15:11*

Big Idea: *Jesus brings his people liberation and joy*

Read and Recap

Read Isaiah 9:1-7

Discuss

As you begin, take some time to discuss these questions about joy:

- What is Joy and what is it not?
- Why do we need and desire Joy as humans?
- How does the bible describe our joy?

Do you think we are “made for joy”? Why or why not do you think that and how does scripture and the story of the bible support your thinking?

How does the passage in John help us understand *how* we receive Joy?

The passage in Isaiah talks of a change for God’s people from darkness into light which leads to joy. How does Isaiah see that change coming about and how does this passage relate to advent?

How does the passage in Isaiah help us understand what joy will look like for God’s people?

Close & Pray

Take some time to pray for Joy. You might want to pray these scriptures over each other in prayer:

- Psalms 51:12-17
- Nehemiah 8:10
- John 16:24
- Romans 15:13
- Galatians 5:22

Coming Up

Next week we’ll be continuing in our advent series to look at how we find joy in the midst of struggle.