



Discussion Guide

June 3, 2018

Rejoice!

Sermon by Pastor Zach Prosser

- Read Philippians 4:4
- Salvation does not promise the believer an easy life or one without pain; yet Paul tells us to rejoice *always*. What are we supposed to rejoice about? Paul answers that question too: "in the Lord." 1 Peter 1:8 tells us, "though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory." We have reason to rejoice simply because we believe in the Lord and are saved by his grace. That means even when life is painful or difficult, we have cause to rejoice.

How do you remind yourself to rejoice when you don't feel like rejoicing? How does your perspective change when you rejoice during difficult seasons?

Do you find it difficult to rejoice in those times? Why? How do you overcome the difficulty?

- Scripture doesn't just encourage us to rejoice; it *commands* us to do so. See Psalm 149:2-4, Psalm 32:11, Zephaniah 3:14, and Zecharia 9:9 for examples of commands to rejoice.

What do you notice about these passages? What do they teach you about rejoicing?

What else helps you remember to rejoice?



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Upcoming Events to Promote at Your Group

Midweek Refresh | Wednesdays
7pm

The Hope Center | Thursdays 10am-4pm

Men's Breakfast | June 9 9am

Africa Missions Lunch | June 10
after service

Night of Hope | June 27 7pm

Key Components of a Healthy Care Group

Worship

Prayer

Body Life Ministry

Bible

Discussion

Remember to DELEGATE responsibilities to others!

***Remember your Care Group benevolence offering!**

****After your Care Group, remember to complete your online Care Group Report or email your Section Pastor.**