

Sermon Title: Joy in the Midst of Difficulties

Sermon Text: 2 Corinthians 7:2-16

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Sermon Notes:

COMMUNITY GROUP:

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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

What is the difference between joy and happiness?

Read James 1:2-4. How is it possible to consider various types of trials as reason for joy? What do you have to do to be able to do this? What kind of mindset do you have to have?

If you do “count it all joy,” what does the Bible say the result will be? What is that? How will that benefit you in your day-to-day life?

Read James 5:7-12. How many times does James encourage us to be patient or steadfast in this passage? What does it say about the person who remains steadfast in verse 11?

Who is Job? Why is he considered an example of steadfast endurance?

Bible Reading: 1 Corinthians 15

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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 15

Did Paul assume that most of the Corinthians had or had not believed the gospel? What was the gospel message Paul preached?

Did Paul try to prove Christ's resurrection, or did he assume that his readers accepted it? In light of this, why do you think Paul wrote this chapter?

Why is bodily resurrection important?

What is the key difference between our current bodies and our future, resurrected bodies?

What impact does the promise of the resurrection have on the fear of death?