

SERMON NOTES

JOY TO THE WORLD

1 JOHN 1:1-4 | DECEMBER 16, 2018

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Intro:

1. Undeniable _____: Trust the testimonies of those who met Christ. (1-2)

2. Life-Altering _____: Experience the transformation as you believe in Him and are saved. (3)

3. Incomparable _____: Embrace it all and you will sing, "Joy to the World." (4)

Conclusion:

WEEKLY READING PLAN:

Monday, December 17 // Luke 1:46-56
My soul magnifies the Lord

Tuesday, December 18 // Luke 1:57-80
Blessed be the God of Israel

Wednesday, December 19 // Luke 2:1-21
Glory to God in the highest

Thursday, December 20 // John 1:1-18
The Word became flesh

Friday, December 21 // Philippians 2:5-11
Love Come Down

WEEKLY EVENTS:

**A full schedule is available on the final page of this bulletin.*

AWANA

- This week is Dress Like Christmas Night!

FUSE (5th-6th) / FUEL (7th-8th)

- Next Fuse & Fuel is December 19

IGNITE (9th-12th)

- Ignite Christmas Party is December 16

RESONATE (18-22)

- Resonate Christmas Party is December 20

AMPLIFY (23-30+)

- Amplify New Year's Party is December 31

Opening: What truths impacted you most from the sermon/scripture?

1. Make a list of things that bring you joy.

2. In your life, how have you seen the presence of joy make sorrow flee?

IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

3. Read 1 Peter 1:3-9.

a. List the promises from this passage.

b. How do these promises help you rejoice in the midst of the “various trials” you experience in your life?

c. Write out a prayer. Express your joy and gratitude for His promises and His plan.

4. How does your life (actions, thoughts, speech) look different when you are filled with “joy that is inexpressible”?

LIFE APPLICATION

How will you let the joy you have through Christ shape your thinking and attitude this Christmas season?