



2/7 - Small Group Questions

Week 22: Joy

1. Read Galatians 5:22: Why do we know that Christian joy is not natural?
2. Read Psalm 16: David asks for preservation, as if he were in a tough spot. Read Romans 5:3, 1 Thessalonians 1:6, and 2 Corinthians 8:2. Discuss how Christian joy can be experienced in the midst of suffering. For David to have taken refuge in God (v.1) is to give God the highest honor. Why?
3. How does fellowship with God's saints (v.3) contribute to either our joy or our angst? What is the determining factor?
4. In v.4 David says idolatry brings multiplied sorrow, why? Have you found this to be true in your own experience?
5. In v.5-6 David speaks of his inheritance. Do you feel the same about your inheritance? Why or why not? Have you contemplated your inheritance?
6. Is there a connection between the counsel of the Lord spoken of in verse 7 coupled with the priority given to the Lord in v.8 and the stability David experienced?
7. Verses 9-10 elaborate on this security. What two states of David's existence does he elaborate on?
8. Read Acts 2:22-36: In what way is verse 11 of Psalm 16 fulfilled in Peter's sermon?