

Today's Theme

“Round 3 - Joy Safe“

Series Title

“Finding Joy In Life” Part 17

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What's needed to safeguard my joy?

1. **Beware of those who would steal our joy.**
2. **Stay true to the foundation of our joy.**
3. **Don't be sidetracked by religious activity.**
4. **Remain focused on Jesus in life.**

How To Keep Our Attention Focused

1. **Allow Jesus to change us.**
2. **Replace my righteousness with God's.**
3. **_____ the _____ of Jesus in my life.**

Phil 3:10 I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection . . .

(1) The power to _____ the fruit of the spirit.
Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. 24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

(2) The power to say _____ to self & sin.
Romans 12:10 Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

(3) The power to say _____ to serving God & others.
John 13:34 “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

4. _____ with Jesus in our _____.
Paul's Desire For us:

(1) To _____ suffering _____ He did.
Phil 3:10 . . . and participation in his *sufferings*.

(2) To _____ my life & soul to the Father _____.
Phil 3:10 . . . becoming like him in his death,
Romans 5:1 Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. 3 Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope.

5. **Live life with the _____ of _____.**

What This Life Looks Like

Phil 3:11 and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

(1) Live with the _____ of my salvation.
Acts 4:12 Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.” 13 When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.

(2) Live with _____ because of being _____ bound.
Hebrews 6:18 we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged. 19 We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, 20 where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf. He has become a high priest forever,