

# Joy: A Simple Yet Profound Message

Luke 2:8-15 Pastor Jeff Kuhn

- I. Do \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 10)
- A. \_\_\_\_\_ truly seen creates \_\_\_\_\_. (v26-37)
  - B. The God of glory \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 38)
- II. I bring you \_\_\_\_\_ (v.10)
- A. A \_\_\_\_\_ birth \_\_\_\_\_. (v.10; Priene Inscription, 9 BC)
  - B. \_\_\_\_\_: One who will \_\_\_\_\_ you. (v. 11; Ps. 50:15)
  - C. Hope: The \_\_\_\_\_ who was \_\_\_\_\_. (v.11; Lk. 1:68-70)
- III. ...of \_\_\_\_\_ (v.10)
- A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Joy... (Hab. 3:17-18; I Pet. 1:8-9)
  - B. "A \_\_\_\_\_ produced good \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_." (Gal. 5:22)
  - C. It \_\_\_\_\_ from seeing \_\_\_\_\_. (Jn. 16:22)
- IV. ... for \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_. (v.10)
- A. \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 8)
  - B. Even for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 11; Jn. 15:9-11)
  - C. ....and \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 17; Jn 3:16; 2 Cor. 2:14)

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Can you identify with fear when it comes to encountering God? Are there things about God that scare you?
2. How does the coming of Jesus help us understand the type of God that God is?
3. Think of the top 3 items of "Good News" that you have been told throughout your life. What were they and why were they such good news to you?
4. What do you feel the need to be "delivered" from at present?
5. When have you felt joy in your own life? How would you describe that experience?
6. Joy is a "spirit produced good feeling in the soul". What is your reaction to that definition? What is it missing?
7. Who might you be leaving out when it comes to the fact that this good news of great joy is for the whole world?
8. How can you better share this good news of great joy with all people? What are a few specific steps that you can take?

# GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

SEASON OF ADVENT - Dec. 17, 2017

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## WELCOME TO GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

Our desire is to help you take one step closer to Jesus. We believe the best way to facilitate this journey is by committing yourself to four different commitments, and we strive to offer opportunities for you to do that with us here. The first is what you are experiencing today, Worship. Worship is looking deeply at who God is and surrendering our lives to Him. The response to that is a move into Mission, finding what God has called and gifted you to do, and then devoting yourself to that. Along the way you will realize a need for Learning, learning a new way of thinking and living in light of the truth. And you will need Relationships, people who walk with you, support you, challenge you, and encourage you on your way.



LEARNING



MISSION



RELATIONSHIPS



WORSHIP



### Opportunity for Baptism

We are planning a baptismal service in the new year on January 14th, 2018. If you have never been baptized please contact Jake or Jeff for more information about how you can take this important step in your journey with Jesus.



### Hymn/Carol Sing

There will be a Hymn/Carol sing here at the church tonight, December 17th, beginning at 7 pm.



### Holly Days

Just a reminder that we are once again hosting the annual Holly Days food hamper event, from December 18th to December 21st. Community Services will be using the hall and the basement.



### Christmas Eve Service

There will be a candlelight service here at the church on Sunday, December 24th, beginning at 7 pm.

### Please Pray!

Kathaleen Cobett (Jim's wife) passed away suddenly last Sunday. It's been a shock to the family and the community. The funeral will take place January 6th at GBC, with Will Corbett leading the service. The time of day will be confirmed later as details settle. Please keep them all in your prayers.



### Swetex! Grant Approved!

We are rejoicing, along with the Read Right Society and Yale First Nation that our proposal for a shared space and day care centre next door to GBC was approved this past week. Please pray as the real work gets underway in the coming days. This is an opportunity to interact and serve our community in the example of Jesus.



### Sunday School

Sunday School for all ages is canceled for December 24th and December 31st. Classes resume January 7, 2018.



### Girls'/Boys' Club, OneStep, Youth and Stories

Girls'/Boys' Club resumes January 10th.  
OneStep and Youth resume January 12th.  
Youth Stories resume January 14th.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
9:15 Breakfast			9-11 Resumes in the new year		6-7:15 Resumes January 12th		9:15 Breakfast - resumes January 7th
9:45 Adult Sunday School Sunday Clubs	6-7 Prayer for Loved Ones		6:30-8 Resumes January 10th		8-10 Resumes January 12th		9:45 All Sunday School resumes January 7th
11 Worship Service	6:30-8 Drama Ministry						11 Worship Service
5:30 Stories for Grade 8-12							5:30 Resumes January 7th
7:00 Hymn/Carol Sing							

LECTIONARY READING for the coming week: Luke 1:57-80, Psalm 15