

**DATE:** May 21st, 2023

**TITLE:** Series: For Your Joy  
Walking the Gospel Back

**SCRIPTURE:** 1 John 1:1-4

**SPEAKER:** Dave Mobley

# FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

## OPENING PRAYER

**ICE BREAKER:** Tell us of a moment(time) you felt pure joy. If you had to give up one of your 5 senses which would you choose? Which one is most important to you?

**THINK BACK:** Referring back to this week's sermon... What is the BIG IDEA of the Scripture AS IT WAS TAUGHT THIS WEEK? Was there anything that left you with questions?

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Do you have the Son? Are you certain you have the life?
- What kinds of things contribute to doubt and uncertainty?
- How do feelings and circumstance affect your certainty?
- How do you understand faith? How does faith work with or against feelings?
- Since we have a message of life, what kind of privilege and or obligation do we have to share this with others?
- How does Jesus joy differ from things we often pursue for joy?

## SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

1 John 5:11-13  
John 15:11  
John 16:22  
John 17:13  
Galatians 1:6-9  
3 John 4

## APPLICATION

Think about what most caught your attention in the text or discussion.  
Why is God catching your attention with this at this point in your life?  
What does God want you to know or do?  
What's one thing from this text that you could say to an unbeliever about who God is?

## PRAYER

Ask people for specific prayer requests. Pray for needs and for applications of the text. Ask for volunteers who would like to pray for those people and requests.

## SHEPHERDING

Check the roster and see who is not there. Does the group know why someone is not there? Are there needs that can be met by the group? Specific prayer requests? Ask for someone to reach out and say, "We missed you."

## REMINDERS

### Small Group Checklist

- Ask about ideas to serve in some way together. Serve 1x every six weeks or so.
- Encourage people to invite friends or neighbors to your group!! One way to reach 'out' together is to welcome people 'in.'
- Discuss childcare, if needed.
- Talk about any upcoming group meals or activities.

Check the bulletin, monthly newsletter and events page on the website for ways that you can get plugged in, as well as events here at FCC. Here are a couple of those things:

**-Pick a date this Summer to serve one Sunday in KidZone Contact Bobbi at [bobbiblanchard@homeforever.org](mailto:bobbiblanchard@homeforever.org)**

-Our next Covenant Member meeting is June 4th. Interested in becoming a Covenant Member? Our next class is on July 29th!

**-We are looking for more people to join our Hospitality Team as well as our AV/Tech Crew. If you are interested, email [info@homeforever.org](mailto:info@homeforever.org).**