



**HEART FOR THE HOUSE**  
**Part 8: #FUN**  
**"Joy for the Journey"**  
Sermon Small Group Questions  
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**USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures referenced in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your small group's goal is not to pound through the questions but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships, so knock yourself out with the discussion questions but spend more time laughing than answering the questions.

***We will enjoy the journey: laugh hard, loud, & often. #FUN***

**[John 15.9-11, NKJV]**

*"As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full."*

***Laughter binds us together.***

**[Psalm 51.12, NKJV]**

*Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit.*

**[Proverbs 17.22, NLT]**

*A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a broken spirit saps a person's strength.*

### **Joy For the Journey**

#### **1. Joy is a Choice. [John 15.10-11]**

*Choose to abide; Get in His presence, even when life throws a curveball.*

#### **2. Joy isn't Circumstantial.**

*Joy is the promise for you today; it's not just a reward when we get to heaven.*

#### **3. Joy is for Today. [Psalm 51.12]**

*Push through the circumstances of life; Jesus will give you the strength to walk through your season.*

**[Hebrews 12.2, NKJV]**

*Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame...*

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. When was the last time you had a gut wrenching laugh? Share it and have another go of it.**
- 2. What experiences have you had that has sucked the FUN out of living for Christ?**
- 3. What experiences have you had that has given you great times of FUN in the body of Christ?**
- 4. Share the joy of your salvation with your group, recall the day you received Christ's forgiveness of sin.**
- 5. What area of your life do you need to CHOOSE joy?**
- 6. Talk about the differences between Joy and Happiness.**
- 7. How can you tap into Joy today?**
- 8. Tell some jokes and share some funny stories. Have great time tonight.**