



## ADVENT SERIES The Candle Of JOY!

### I. The Biblical Concept Of JOY:

#### A. JOY Defined:

1. The passion or emotion excited by the acquisition or \_\_\_\_\_ of good.
2. Psalms 16:11; Luke 2:10

#### B. JOY is to be distinguished from Happiness:

1. Happiness: Totally dependent upon \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Joy: It is not founded on circumstances, but in the \_\_\_\_\_ of our circumstances: John 15:11; Ezra 6:22; Nehemiah 8:10; Galatians 5:22

#### C. JOY looks \_\_\_\_\_ our circumstances to the Promises of God: James 1:2-4; Hebrews 12:1-2; John 16:22

### II. How To Walk In Joy!

#### A. \_\_\_\_\_ the Commandments of God:

1. "If you \_\_\_\_\_ my commandments, you will abide in My love... These things I have spoken to you, that **My joy** may remain in you, and that **your joy** may be full.
2. Matthew 25:35-40

#### B. \_\_\_\_\_ with faith and perseverance:

1. "...\_\_\_\_\_, and you will receive, that **your joy** may be full." John 15:23-24
2. Psalm 126:5-6; II Thess. 5:16-18; Luke 18:1, 7-8

#### C. \_\_\_\_\_ God with all your heart:

1. "...Therefore I will offer \_\_\_\_\_ of **joy** in His tabernacle; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the Lord..." Psalm 27:5-6
2. Jer. 33:10-11; Psalm 30:4-5; I Chronicles 15:25, 28-29

## Third Sunday of Advent

## THE CANDLE OF JOY



*"...Behold, your God will...come and save you..."*

*And a highway shall be there, and a road,  
and it shall be called The Highway of Holiness...*

*And the ransomed of the Lord shall return,  
and come to Zion with singing,  
with everlasting JOY on their heads.  
They shall obtain JOY and gladness,  
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away."  
Isaiah 35:4-10*

📖 John 15:11, 22-24: Jesus Brings JOY

📖 Nehemiah 8:10: The JOY of the Lord is our strength

*We light the candle of JOY! (pink)*