

Joyous Unity

John 17:13-21
1 John 1:1-10



What Does Joy Mean To...

- Our Church
- Our Families



**Open Your Bibles to
John 17:13-21**

Joy & Us

- Jesus wants to share His joy with His disciples.
 - Jesus' words bring joy.
 - Jesus' joy can be made full/fulfilled (πληρώω).
 - Joy came from God's protection and provision.
 - Joy came from unity with each other and unity with the Father and Jesus.
 - Joy can be found in God's provisions of protection, unity, fellowship, and assurance in holiness.
- Seek to share joy with one another.
 - Focus on what Jesus has to say.
 - Seek to find joy in and highlight the things both Jesus did for us and also found joy in.
 - Talk about how God has taken care of and provided for us lately.
 - Seek unity on God's terms.
 - Find joy in God's provisions of protection, unity, fellowship, and assurance in holiness.

**How is this kind of joy
through unity possible?**

**Turn in Your Bibles to
1 John 1:1-10**

Jesus & Us

- The Creator came to live with the created.
 - Jesus came to make eternal life a possible reality to fallen man.
 - Jesus' blood makes fellowship possible.
 - Jesus' blood cleanses our sins and makes us holy before God.
- As we share Jesus' story with each other, our joy is increased.
 - As we share Jesus' story with each other, we realize the lengths He went to so we could be Family.
 - As we share Jesus' story with each other, our petty differences should no longer matter.
 - As we share Jesus' story with each other, we realize our need for forgiveness (for/by us).

What About Us?

- Do we seek to share God's joy with each other?
- Do we highlight what God has done through Jesus as a way of promoting unity in this Body as well as our individual families?
- Do we seek to forgive one another as a way to be unified?



Christ's Church in Rock Springs
grow in respect to salvation.