

Advent Joy
Luke 2:8-10 & Romans 5:1-11



“...I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.” Luke 2:10

1) THE GOSPEL _____ CAUSE JOY IN A BELIEVER.

“The major mark of a justified believer is joy.” John Stott

What kills our joy?

a. _____ Sin.

“...all our righteousness are as filthy rags.” Is. 64:6 KJV

b. _____ Joys.

“My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.” Jer. 2:13 NIV

2) _____ CAUSES JOY.

“But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God’s wrath through him!” Romans 3:8-9 NIV

3) _____ INCREASES JOY

“We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation... For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.” Romans 3:3-5 NLT

4) FUTURE _____ GIVES INVINCIBLE JOY

“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God.” Romans 5:1-2 NIV