

WISDOM FROM GOD’S WORD

Joy in Jesus Christ

Principles of Joy: Remembrance

Philippians 1:3-5

Truth: Remembering the good work of the Lord in us and the church enhances and increases our joy in Christ Jesus.

“Memories are powerful mosaics of people and events in life that mold and shape who we are.”

- Encoding - taking in information,
- Storing - preserving information, and
- Retrieving - recalling information.

1. Joy in sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ Philippians 1:4-5

- The salvation of Lydia and her household (Acts 16:14-15).
- The salvation of the demon-possessed girl (Acts 16:16-18).
- The salvation of the jailor and his household (Acts 16:25-34).

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2. Joy in sharing Christian love. Philippians 2:1-4

- A contentious and combative church destroys Christian joy.
- A compassionate and caring church develops and demonstrates joy in Christ Jesus.

• What causes a church to rejoice in Jesus Christ?

• What enhances and enlarges that joy in Jesus Christ?

3. Joy in giving Christian support Philippians 4:14-18

- Financial support - money.
- Epaphroditus - personal assistance.

• Galatians 5:16-17,22-23.
