

Recap

- No one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.
- Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.
- For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

John 3.31-36

The one who comes from above is above all (Jesus); the one who is from the earth belongs to the earth (John the Baptist), and speaks as one from the earth. The one who comes from heaven is above all (Jesus). He (Jesus) testifies to what he has seen and heard (in heaven), but no one accepts his testimony. Whoever has accepted it (his testimony about what he has seen and heard in heaven) has certified that God is truthful. For the one whom God has sent (Jesus) speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit without limit (to Jesus). The Father loves the Son (Jesus) and has placed everything in his hands. Whoever believes in the Son (Jesus) has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son (Jesus) will not see life, for God's wrath remains on them.

Philippians 3.4-9

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

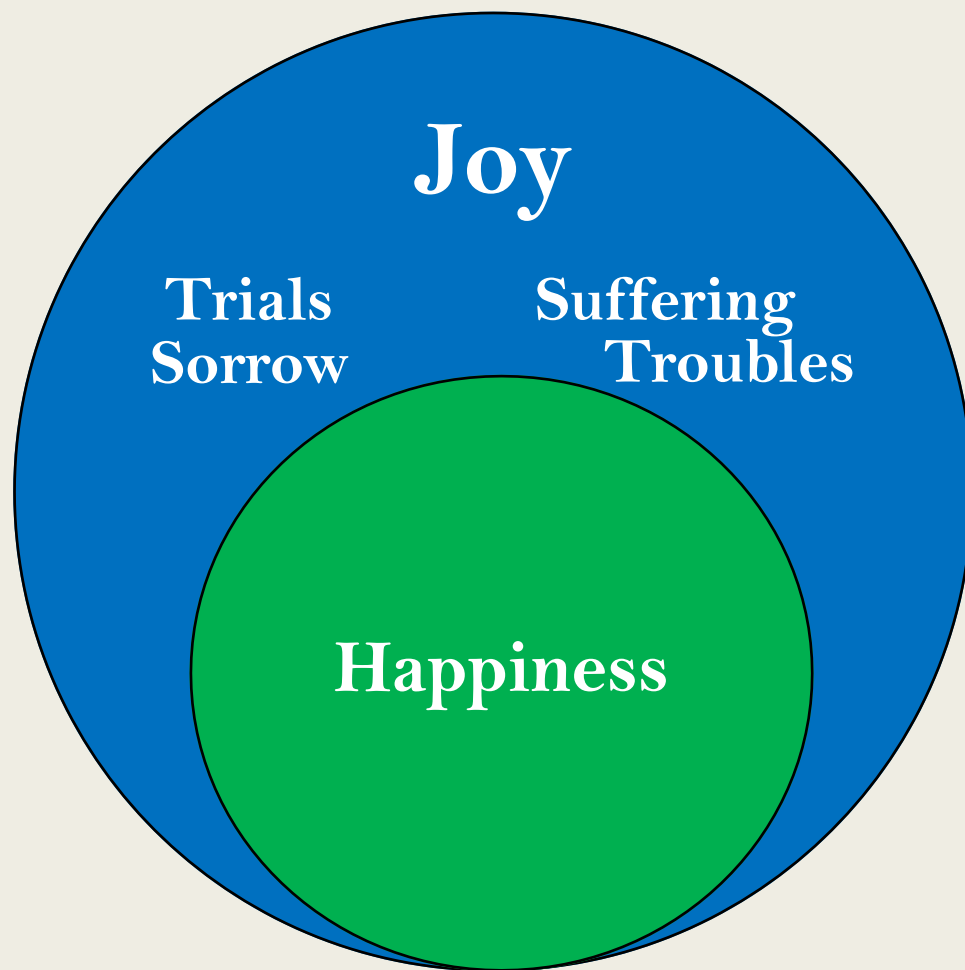
But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith.

Different Scorecard



- How are you contributing to what God is doing in the world?
- What are you doing with the 'talents' God has entrusted to you?

Joy vs. Happiness



Joy- delight in life that runs deeper than pain or pleasure; state of great delight grounded in a conscious relationship with God