MARINERS CHURCH



The Secret to Joy

Welcome to 40 Days of Joy! In the next few weeks we will discover JOY and how to find it throughout your life!

Here are some principles and actual Bible passages from today's talk...

HAPPINESS comes from WITHOUT, JOY comes from WITHIN.

The joy of the Lord is my strength. Nehemiah 8:10

"I have spoken these things in order that my joy may be in you, and your joy may be made complete." -Jesus, John 1.5:11

Joy is a choice.

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing. Romans 15:13



Joy happens when I allow God to enter "into" my life.

You make known to me the path of life; IN YOUR PRESENCE THERE IS FULLNESS OF JOY, Psalm 16:11

"All my springs of joy are in You (God)." Psalm 87:7

But the fruit of God's Holy Spirit is love, JOY, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness... Galatians 5:22

Something to discuss with your friends, family, and LifeGroup*

What's the difference between Happiness and Joy?

Is it possible to be joyful even though you may not be happy? How is Joy a choice?

Read Jesus' words in John 14:23-15:11. Talk about what He says regarding joy and how find it.

Spend a few moments with a few people sharing what it was like to 'let God into their life'.

*A LifeGroup is a group of people who are committed to loving each other and growing through times like these. For more information, connect with Pastor Len (who will be back from Hawaii) at len@marinerscc.org