SERMON NOTES

December 22, 2013

JOY UNWRAPPED

YO-YO JOY "You're On Your Own"

JOY: the emotion evoked by well-being, success, or good fortune or by the prospect of possessing what one desires.

John 15:11 I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your **joy** may be complete. **JESUS JOY 0** Joy Luke 2:8-12 10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. 11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. Joy **Luke 6:22-23** Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man. 23 "Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets. John 16:19-22 22 So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will **rejoice**, and no one will take away your **joy**. JOY COMES FROM POSSESSING WHAT BRINGS YOU JOY **SPIRIT FILLED JOY**

All references taken from Today's New International Version of the Bible unless noted.

Three Guiding Principles For Our Church

HI 5

It is our goal to greet everyone who visits us at least 5 times as they enter and 5 times as they leave.

50/50

In all our ministries we endeavor to think about the people who have not yet become followers of Jesus Christ.

50/50 is meant to communicate that we will always strive to connect to Pre-Christians as well as Christians.

Belong. Believe. Behave.

We always want to keep in mind that people need to feel a sense that they belong no matter what their background or past experience.

To us, Belonging comes before Believing and Behaving.