

Joy as the Seventy Return

Luke – The Acts of Jesus

Luke 10:17-25

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The Forgotten Attribute of God

- God's Attributes –
 - The "Omni's" – omniscience, omnipresence, omnipotence, immutability
 - Holiness, justice, wrath, righteousness
 - Goodness, love, grace, mercy
- Joy, the Forgotten Attribute – 1 Chron 16:27; Zeph 3:17; Jer 32:41; Is 62:5 (cf. 65:19; Deut 30:9)

The Forgotten Attribute of God

- While Jesus' sorrows are shown often...
 - Griefs – “man of sorrows” (Is 53:3); He wept (Lk 19:41); He grieved (Mt 26:37); to the point of death (Mt 26:38); with prayers (Heb 5:7); and knowing what it is to be forsaken of the Father (Mt 27:46); and of man (only 500 came to meet Him in Galilee – 1 Cor 15:6)
- ...This story is the one record of His joy in the Gospels

The Forgotten Attribute of God

- His followers are to also rejoice, whether in much or in little
 - Rejoice – Php 4:4 (cf. 3:1; 1Thess 5:16)
 - Even if in prison for the Lord – Php 4:10
 - No matter what circumstances you are in – 4:11*f*.
- Our joy is not rooted in our situation, but in our Savior's faithfulness
 - God is good – Ex 18:9; 2 Chron 7:10
 - He is our salvation – 1 Sam 2:1; Hab 3:18
 - His love endures forever – Ps 13:5:31:7
 - He is our strength – Ps 21:1
 - His Word is faithful and True – Ps 119:14, 162; 1 Cor 13:6