



20th October 2019

Passionately Pursue Joy - Philippians

Last Sunday we began our new series, "Passionately Pursue Joy" and we invited you to join together on a journey through the book of Philippians. We have created a simple Bible Reading & Reflection Guide to help us consider what God has for us each to learn as we go through Philippians as a church community. If you didn't receive the Reading Guide last week there will be more available this week.

We would love you to use this simple tool in whichever way fits you best. You can use it as part of your regular times with God, whether that's a daily devotion or a weekly Bible study. Perhaps you could even gather with others and discuss what you're learning over coffee. But don't just share the 'knowledge' aspect with each other, share what God has been motivating you to do. Share how God has inspired, comforted or challenged you. Share how Philippians is transforming your life?

I also know that the VIBE youth and the children in Kids Ministry are also going through Philippians this term, so we are truly taking this journey together. Maybe talk to your kids or teenagers and ask them what they are learning too.

I suggested that over the next 8 weeks we will see 8 aspects of how we can find joy. The first one, from Sunday was about God being a finisher. Paul was "confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

#1. We Passionately Pursue Joy by Knowing that God is a Finisher!

The work that God has started in you and what He is wanting to do through you, for His glory, is something that He is fully committed to finishing. Our joyful task is to cooperate with Him in faith. I also left us with some simple application steps based on this fact.

- A. RELAX - breathe, stop trying so hard, let God lead & trust Him.
- B. REFUEL - seek your Joy in God, let Him fill you from His Word.
- C. RESPOND - when God leads follow Him, hear and obey His voice.
- D. REJOICE - choose to rejoice regardless of your circumstances.

I trust that at the end of 8 weeks we may be a people full of Joy, to the praise and glory of God!

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After School Kid's Club

Tuesday's 3.30-5.30pm

@ Playford Uniting Church

Call Nick: 0402 808 744

LITTLE BUZZ PLAYGROUP

Thursday's 9.30-11am

@ Playford Uniting Church

100 DAY CHALLENGE to Dec 1st

A Journey of Faith & Generosity

AIM : to increase our giving by \$500+ per week in order to meet the needs and pursue the vision of seeing lives transformed in and through Playford Uniting Church, for God's glory

Please consider what part you can play?

CHURCH PICNIC - Oct. 27th

12pm after the morning Service

\$2 Sausage Sizzle supporting the

WonderFULL Festival or BYO Picnic Lunch
Kids Games, Activities & Free Ice Cream

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday Oct 20th : Pete

Passionately Pursuing Joy - Philippians

Sunday Oct 27th : Henry

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Sunday Nov 3rd : Pete

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Message from September 29th

By Henry Rouse


"Passionately Pursue Joy" - Phil. 1:1-18

or go to <http://playford.ucasa.org.au/podcasts/>

We acknowledge that the land we meet on is the traditional lands for the Kurna people.

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