

**1. Experiencing fullness of joy**

- a) John 15:9-11 What is the desire of Jesus for each one of us as we abide in His love? (see also John 10:10)
- b) 1 John 1:1-4 How did the apostle John restate this promise of Jesus in his first epistle?
- c) Why does resting in a loving covenant relationship with God generate fullness of joy? (Galatians 5:22)
- d) Share a time when you experienced fullness of joy in the LORD.

**2. Experiencing freedom from the guilt of sin**

- a) Romans 8:1 (see also John 8:10-11)
- b) How can a holy God declare there is no condemnation to those who have broken His holy law and violated their covenant relationship with Him? 1 Peter 2:21-24, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Romans 3:23-26, Isaiah 53:4-6, etc.
- c) 1 John 1:9 What important truth is often missed in this teaching by the apostle John?
- d) John 5:24 How do you respond to this amazing declaration of Jesus?
- e) What encouragement would you offer to a friend who feels burdened by the guilt of sin?

**3. Experiencing and sharing the love of God**

- a) Ephesians 3:14-21 What impacts you the most as you listen to the apostle Paul's prayer for you?

- b) Romans 5:5 How is the love of God poured into our hearts? (see also 1 John 4:13-16)
- c) John 7:37-39 What important truths is Jesus sharing here?
- d) Share an example (either from the Bible or your life today) of the love of God flowing through someone to bless others.
- e) Share a time when you experienced the love of God in a memorable way.

**4. Having the assurance of eternal life**

- a) John 11:25-26 How can we live even if we die? (see John 6:39-40, John 5:28-29)
- b) Where else in the Scriptures can we find the promise repeated of a resurrection from the dead? 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Revelation 20:6, 2:11
- c) How does the experience and assurance of eternal life help us in the trials and challenges of this life?

**5. Sharing the Good News**

- a) Matthew 28:19-20 Why it is impossible to keep the Good News to ourselves if we are abiding in a loving covenant relationship with the LORD?
- b) How has your life been blessed as you have shared the Good News about Jesus with others?

