

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 4/11/10

BIBLE PASSAGE: I Peter 1:1-12, (8)

TITLE: "SEVEN REASONS FOR HAPPINESS"

INTRO:

1. Are you a believer in Christ? Are you a joyful, happy believer? Can the world tell the difference between joyful and happy?
2. This morning's focus: Seven basic truths about salvation's _____ on the believer.

PROPOSITION: Unhappy lost people are drawn to happy (joyful) saved people.

I. THE BELIEVER'S SINS ARE FORGIVEN.

A. Belief Brings Forgiveness.

1. Holy Spirit cleansing and regeneration, Acts 13:39; I Corinthians 6:11; Titus 3:5; & Genesis 15:6.
2. Greatest earthly joy-knowledge of sins forgiven/eternal life.

B. Unbelief Carries Bondage.

1. Satan is the god of this _____/destined for hell.
2. Psalm 32:1, 2.

II. THE BELIEVER IS FREE FROM THE POWER OF SIN.

A. Satan Is The Cruellest Of Slave Owners.

B. God's Truth Can Make And Keep You _____,
John 8:31-36.

III. A BELIEVER IS A CHILD OF GOD.

A. Adoption Required, Romans 8:12-17; John 1:12.

B. Gleefulness Allowed.

IV. THE BELIEVER HAS BEEN DELIVERED FROM FEAR.

A. Fear Has A Great Effect On Peoples' Lives.

1. Unlimited phobias.

2. Wealth and _____ are no guarantee.

B. Believers Can Face Problems With A Different Perspective.

1. Deliverance/Hell is no threat, _____ awaits.

2. Strength for the earthly journey, *Romans 8:28;*
Philippians 4:6, 7; Romans 8:31-39.

3. No fear of death or life/Keep on!

V. THE BELIEVER HAS EVERLASTING LIFE.

A. The _____ Of Heaven Will Mean More When We Get There, *I John 2:17; Revelation 21:4.*

B. Everlasting Life Brings Inexpressible And Glorious Joy.

VI. THE BELIEVER IS AN HEIR OF GOD AND A JOINT HEIR WITH CHRIST.

A. An Inheritance Undeified And Incorruptible That Will Last Forever.

B. Remember *Luke 16*, (Rich Man/Lazarus).

1. Problems of _____...

2. Promises of heaven...

VII. THE BELIEVER HAS THE HOLY SPIRIT LIVING IN HIS/HER HEART.

A. The Holy Spirit Fills The Heart, (Believer).

B. The Holy Spirit Works For Your Good!

CONCLUSION:

1. Are you truly a believer?

2. Are you employing and enjoying these seven truths in your life?