



Sermon series: Joy Full
Text: 1 John 5:1-5
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The Eyes of Faith

Big Idea: Faith in Jesus changes what we see and what we enjoy.

Faith's Origin:

Faith in Christ is _____ . (Vs. 1)

1. Faith in Jesus _____ what we see.
2. Faith in Jesus is _____ by God.

Faith's Effects:

Faith in Christ changes how we see _____ .(vs.1-2)

1. We see those who know Christ as God's _____.
2. We see those who don't know Christ as in need of the _____ . (Ephesians 6:12)

Faith in Christ changes how we see _____ . (vs. 3)

1. We see God as he _____ is. (Hebrews 1:3)
2. We see God's _____ as they really are. (Psalm 119:14, 47)

Faith in Christ changes how we see the _____ . (vs.4-5)

1. We see the world emptied of its _____.
2. We see the world in light of the _____ . (1 John 2:17)

Can you think of a time where you saw something in a completely different way than how another person saw it? What was it that made both of you see the same thing in a completely different way?

Do you agree that it's only because of what God does in us that we are able to believe in Jesus? What difference does that make in how you view yourself and other people?



What are some ways you can fight the tendency to only spend time with the people you know and like at church while avoiding those you don't know or don't like?

What are some reasons we might see those who don't know Christ as our enemies? Do you agree that we should ultimately see them as people we are fighting for and not against?

Who's someone in your life who does not know Christ? What's one way you can fight for them to come to know Him? If you are in a CARE Group together, take a minute and pray for these people together.

Are there commands in the Bible that you really struggle to obey? What difference would it make for you in that struggle if you saw God's commands not as a burden but as pathway to greater joy?

What are one or two things in your own life that you are prone to want, love, or enjoy more than God? How can faith in Christ help you to "overcome the world" in this area of your life?

Take a moment to read and meditate again on John 16:33. Why is this verse such good news? How does it give you hope in whatever struggles you are facing right now?