

Living in God's Smile

Fighting to Live in His Smile

Isaiah 30:15

This is what the Sovereign Lord, the Holy One of Israel, says: "In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it.

Deuteronomy 7:17-19

You may say to yourselves, "These nations are stronger than we are. How can we drive them out?" 18 But do not be afraid of them; remember well what the Lord your God did to Pharaoh and to all Egypt. 19 You saw with your own eyes the great trials, the miraculous signs and wonders, the mighty hand and outstretched arm, with which the Lord your God brought you out. The Lord your God will do the same to all the peoples you now fear.

Luke 3:22

and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

Message notes:

The first enemy: _____.

You won't receive His joy if you can't find times and places to get _____.

Stop fearing time's march and _____ what you have right now.

The second enemy: _____.

Learn the discipline of _____ things that have happened in your life after they have happened.

Remember to remember that God is _____ and He smiles on us.

The third enemy: _____.

God will _____ smile at you in Christ.

Additional notes:

Discussion Questions:

Why is hurry so dangerous to our spiritual lives?

What would need to change in your life to have a better, less hurried, rhythm with the Lord?

Share of a time that God has been faithful to smile on you in spite of the circumstances around you.

How does celebrating things from the past impact your outlook on the future?

How does the trap of performance hinder your relationship with God?

What does it mean to have a "delicious sense of security in Christ"?

How will you keep walking in God's smile, even after this group series ends?

Ministry Time Questions:

Is anyone struggling under the weight of hurry and feeling unable to connect with God?

Is anyone needing to find more grace from God in their life instead of living under the burden of performance?