

Living in God's Smile

It's a Wonderful World

Nehemiah 8:10

Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is sacred to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Message notes:

God _____ at us.

The enemy can never _____ the smile of God.

When we experience God's joy, it calls us into a childlike-ness to appreciate the _____.

God smiles _____. If you don't slow down, you will miss His smile.

Marriages, children, and friendships need _____.

God is the Lord of _____.

It's a _____ because God is smiling.

Additional notes:

Discussion Questions:

Do you usually think of God as smiling at you? What changes as you realize He is smiling over you?

Why does God smile slowly?

How could your priorities change so that you could have a better smile in your life?

How does appreciating the simple things in life affect your smile?

Do your friends and family know your smile and joy?

How can we, as a group, help each other smile and find joy?

Ministry Time Questions:

Is anyone struggling greatly with fears or issues from Covid?

Does anyone need to become more aware of God's smile on your own life?

Is anyone struggling with seeing God's smile in the midst of life's stresses around you?