The Fruit of the Spirit – Joy

(Galatian 5:22-23, Luke 10:21, Romans 14:17)

Joy = Faith-filled gladness and well-being.

3. Joy is remarkably energizing. (Nehemiah 8:10)

Joy + Poverty = Generosity? (2 Corinthians 8:2)

Happiness depends on circumstances.

Joy <u>out-distances</u> circumstances. (James 1:2)

4. Joy can also be surprisingly elusive.

Suicide and Depression

Hope and Help (John 10:10)

We need the Holy Spirit to:

heal past trauma

lift discouraged hearts

mend broken places

reveal freeing truth

fill empty spaces