

1. What is something that brought you happiness recently that didn't last very long? How are joy and happiness different? How do we often confuse them?

2. Read **Luke 1:46–55**.

Why is it significant that Mary begins with worship instead of focusing on her difficult circumstances?

What does Mary's response teach us about how remembering God's grace and power fuels joy?

What do these verses reveal about how God works differently than the world expects? How does that reshape where we look for joy?

Why is God's faithfulness to His promises such a strong foundation for lasting joy?

3. Which of the three joy anchors spoke to you most this week?

- Recentering your joy on God
- Remembering what God has done
- Trusting God's promises while waiting

Why that one and how will you actively walk in it this week?

4. What is one practical way you can choose joy this week, even if your circumstances don't change?

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Current Series

# What the World Still Needs

## WELCOME

December 14, 2025

WELCOME GUESTS

### WORSHIP ORDER

GOD OF THE PROMISE  
WELCOME  
GREETING  
OFFERING  
LIGHT OF THE WORLD  
ADVENT READING  
JESUS PAID IT ALL  
MESSAGE  
THE CROSS HAS THE FINAL WORD  
SEND OFF AND PRAYER

**NORTHAMPTON**  
BIBLE CHURCH

Love God | Love People | Make Disciples

# UPCOMING

## SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER – 8:30

If you would like to take part in praying for Sunday mornings and each other, join us in the Café.

**PRAYER CHAIN** - Please contact Marcia Peters at [care@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:care@nbchurchcf.org) if interested in joining Northampton's prayer chain. If you have prayer request needs, please email them to [care@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:care@nbchurchcf.org) or if you don't email, [www.nbchurchcf.org/prayer/](http://www.nbchurchcf.org/prayer/).

## CARE MINISTRY

If you, or someone you know, has a need for prayer, meals, visitation, or other assistance, please fill out a request card located at the back of the church and drop it in the collection basket or email your request to [care@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:care@nbchurchcf.org).

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** is looking for:

\*A volunteer to teach the 9:30 Sunday School class on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month.

\*A volunteer in the Baby Room the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month.

Please see Kellie Sturm if interested.

## MEDIA & TECH TEAM

**Help is needed!** This important area helps to make Sunday mornings happen, both in-person and online! If you are interested in tech, sound, slides, etc., please connect with Maddison in the tech booth.

## NORTHAMPTON SURVEY 2025

As we reflect on the past year, we would love to hear how God has been working in your life and what your spiritual journey has looked like in 2025. Your feedback is invaluable in helping us grow as a church community. What have been some of the highlights for you this year? Are there areas where you've seen God move powerfully? Looking ahead to 2026, what are your hopes and dreams for our church? We want to partner with you in building a church that glorifies God and meets the needs of His people. Share your thoughts; **go to the Church Center app or [www.nbchurchcf.org](http://www.nbchurchcf.org)**

## CHRISTMAS OFFERING

If you would like to contribute toward this offering, please designate that when you give by writing on the envelope or noting in the app. The hope is that giving toward the Christmas Offering would be "above and beyond" your normal giving so as to continue to cover the regular monthly expenses. **NOTE:** To be deductible on your 2025 tax return, your contribution check must be received on or before December 31, 2025.

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE - 6:00PM

Celebrate the joy and wonder of the season with us on **Christmas Eve!** Join us for a beautiful and meaningful service for the whole family; a time of singing, reflection, and celebration. This service will include carols, special moments, and a message that reminds us of the hope and love we find in Jesus' birth.

## REAL-LIFE DISCIPLESHIP CLASS

Class begins on **Sunday, January 11, 9:00-10:30am** (and run for 11 weeks). For more info or to register, check out our website or the Church Center app!

# MESSAGE NOTES

Pastor Joe Pryor

**Big idea:** Real joy is not something you achieve, it's Someone you receive.

## Luke 1:46–55

### Three Foundations of Lasting Joy

1. Joy *begins* when God becomes the \_\_\_\_\_, not your \_\_\_\_\_

2. Joy *grows* when you remember what God has \_\_\_\_\_

3. Joy *endures* because God keeps His \_\_\_\_\_

### Personally and practically, I can walk this out this week as I...

1. \_\_\_\_\_ my joy on the Lord

2. Practice the discipline of \_\_\_\_\_

3. Choose to trust God's \_\_\_\_\_ even before I see the \_\_\_\_\_

4. Let joy move \_\_\_\_\_, not just \_\_\_\_\_



Check out classes and next steps: [www.nbchurchcf.org/nextsteps/](http://www.nbchurchcf.org/nextsteps/)



Next week: **What the World Still Needs**  
*Love That Moves Toward Us*