STRENGTH in WEAKNESS The Joy of an Imperfect Church

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 (ESV)

¹¹ Finally, brothers, **rejoice**. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. ¹³ All the saints greet you.

The context:

2 Corinthians 13:9b-10 (CSB)

⁹ We also pray that you become fully mature. ¹⁰ This is why I am writing these things while absent, that when I am there I will not use severity, in keeping with the authority the Lord gave me for building up and not for tearing down.

What is the aim of this letter for the Corinthian believers?

Secondary aims:

The Primary aim?

!

2 Corinthians 1:24 (ESV)

²⁴... we work with you **for your joy**, for you stand firm in your faith.

What is joy?

Joy is the deep, durable delight in God that ruins you for anything else. (Sam Storms)

Some	final	thoughts	on	joy in	the	Lord	and	in	my	church:	
				1-1							

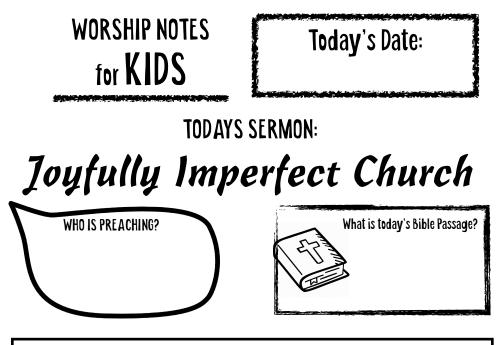
1.		Christians are more	 Christians.
	They have		

- 2. The closer we get to _____, the more we will experience joy. *This means ...*
- 3. Truly being ______ is critical for our joy. *This includes ...*

Benediction:

2 Corinthians 13:14 (ESV)

¹⁴ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



"Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice. Become mature, be encouraged, be of the same mind, be at peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you." 2 Corinthians 13:11

Notes:



ON THE BACK OF THIS PAPER, DRAW A PICTURE OR WRITE NOTES FROM THE SERMON