

The Joy of Christmas **Christmas 2023**

TEXT: Luke 2:8-20

INTRODUCTION

CS Lewis Quote - *We Have No Right to Happiness*

I. We Have No Right to Happiness

A. We Are not Free to Act on Our Own _____

- Romans 7:18

B. We Have No Right Because We _____ No Right

- Roman 6:23
- Ephesians 2:8

C. Being Mindful of Our Undeservedness

- 1 Timothy 1:15

II. Christ - The Hope of Joy

A. The Joy of Sins Forgiven - 1 Peter 1:8&9

B. The Joy of Hope

1. Eternal Life - Titus 2:11-14
2. Hope In Dire Circumstances - Psalm 34:17-19

C. The Joy of Service - 1 Thessalonians 2:19

D. The Joy of His Presence - Romans 15:13

III. Choose Happiness

A. The Mindset of Happiness - Matthew 5:1-12

B. The Human Will - Philippians 4:4-8

CONCLUSION

1 - Choose Not To Live In Sorrow - 2 Corinthians 10:5

2 - Choose to Adopt a New Attitude - Philippians 2:5-7

