

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Go Tell It On The Mountain

The News To His Relatives | Luke 1:39-45

MAIN IDEA:

The reaction of his relatives shows us the right response to Christmas is joy!

Sermon Outline:

ELIZABETH'S JOYFUL REACTION TO CHRISTMAS!

1. Elizabeth is moved by the Spirit (vv39-41)
2. Elizabeth is humbled by the moment (vv42-48)
3. Elizabeth is blessed by the Lord (vv44-45)

Pre-Questions

When was the last time you experienced pure joy? What caused it, and how did it impact your heart and mind?

How do you typically respond to good news? Are you more likely to celebrate, reflect quietly, or respond with caution? Why do you think that is?

QUESTIONS

1. Elizabeth calls Mary “blessed” and points to her belief in God’s promises. How does recognizing God’s blessings increase our own joy?
2. Reflect on Psalm 16:11, which says, “In your presence there is fullness of joy.” How can you live more aware of God’s presence to experience this fullness of joy?
3. Joy is listed as a fruit of the Spirit in Galatians 5:22. What steps can you take to invite more of the Spirit’s influence in your life, especially during this Christmas season?
4. How does your personal definition of joy compare with biblical joy that comes from the Holy Spirit?
5. How does the Christmas story model the idea that joy comes from humility? Consider Jesus’ birth in a manger and Elizabeth’s humble recognition of Mary’s role in God’s plan.
6. Reflect on 1 Peter 5:6, which says, “Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.” How does humility position us to experience joy?