



Abide in Me

TASTE Reflection Questions #19
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Rejoice

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Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood
abides in Me and I in him." ~ John 6:56



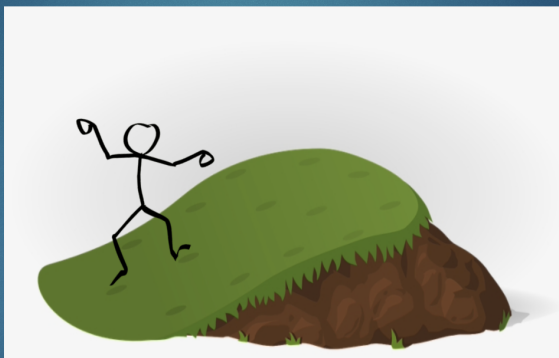
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1. What did you think about the 3 visuals Deacon Jim used to express the fact that the Salvation God offers is Super Abundant? (See next page as reminder)
2. Deacon Jim stated that sin opposes virtue and saps our joy.
 - Explain why this happens.
 - Have you seen this happen in your life or someone else's life?
3. Deacon Jim said that there is a difference between happiness and joy.
 - Happiness comes in a moment and is quickly gone.
 - Authentic joy is from God alone and rests on what Christ has done for us.
 - Do you agree that we can even have joy in the midst of our trials? Explain.
 - Before this talk, did you recognize that your joy is not just for you alone?
 - If you have been afraid of offending someone who is suffering by expressing your joy, has this talk offered you a new perspective? Discuss.
4. Philippians 4:4-7 – Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
 - When trials come, how can this scripture give you God's peace resulting in joy?
 - Do you see a sequence that the scripture is revealing to bring about peace? Explain.
 - Has this scripture given you God's peace and joy during a trial in the past? If so, share your experience.

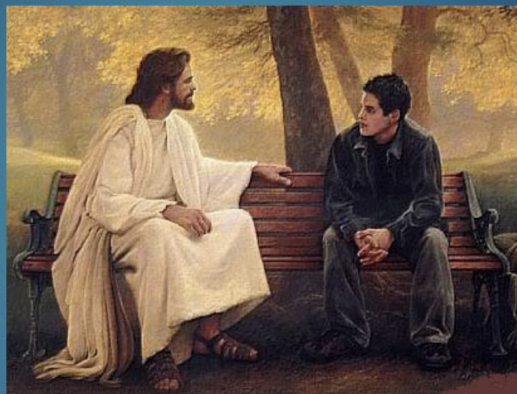
Deacon Jim used these visuals to express that the Salvation God offers is Super-Abundant.



**Man thinks he is doing the best thing.
But in the original sin, he falls from grace.**



**Human nature is wounded by the fall.
Man has an appetite for sin.**



**In heaven, we are given more
than what was lost in Eden.
Human nature is restored AND
humanity shares in the divine nature**