

# FINDING JOY

## Part 2: READ

Psalm 19.8, Psalm 119.14 & 162

### Key Points :

Right at the this moment, we can be forgiven for not knowing, seeing or experiencing joy. And yet, joy is one of the fruits of the Spirit, part of our inheritance in Jesus, and promised to us in God's Word.

Where is this joy? How do I get it? What can I do to work on my joy? One answer is to **READ God's Word**

We find and experience joy when we **read with the heart, not just the head** - Psalm 19.8

We find and experience joy when we **approach reading God's word with an attitude of humility** - Psalm 119.14 & 162

There is joy in God's word because it reveals who He is - and He wants you and me to experience it.

### Questions:

#### Conversation Starter

1. When was the first time you read the Bible?

#### Start thinking

2. Is the Bible 'just' a book? Why do you think we can find and experience joy in God's word?

3. Why is it important to approach reading the Bible with an attitude of humility?

#### Start sharing

4. If you find reading the Bible harder than you think you should, why do you think this is?

5. How can you read more with the heart and not just your head?

6. Can you say with the Psalmist, 'I rejoiced in your laws'? What do you find difficult about the instruction and discipline of God's Word?

#### Start praying

6. Father God, thank You for Your Word. Thank You that it challenges, gives life, reveals more of You and illuminates our paths. We pray, in this moment, that You would teach us to read the Bible more, to understand and really know the Bible more, and to find and experience joy in the Bible more. Amen.

#### Start doing

7. Please consider signing-up for The Bible Course - <http://springfieldchurch.org.uk/the-bible-course/> and committing to read the Bible more over the next couple of months.