

**CONFIRMATION**  
*“A Lifestyle of Joyful Weeping”*

**Text: Matthew 5:4**

*“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.”*

Happiness does not come from the mourning; it comes from God’s response to it. That is the focus today.

**1. THE TOPSY-TURVY LOGIC OF JOYFUL WEEPING-**

Conviction of sin must precede and follow conversion. There are so many divergent paths . . .

Cross references: James 4:8-10; Luke 15:11ff

**2. THE NEED FOR A LIFESTYLE OF JOYFUL WEEPING**

Mourning is not a one-time event. Check out Jesus’ life and times:

Matthew 11:28

**3. THE SIGNS OF BEING A JOYFUL WEEPER-**

**A. You will \_\_\_\_\_ the hindrances of a hard heart. Items such as:**

**D** \_\_\_\_\_.

**C** \_\_\_\_\_.

**P** \_\_\_\_\_.

***PROCRASTINATION.***

Cross Reference: James 4:14

**F** \_\_\_\_\_.

Cross Reference: Amos 6:5-7

**B. You will identify & \_\_\_\_\_ the hindrances of a hard heart. Take these actions . . . .**

***LOOK AT THE C*** \_\_\_\_\_

***STUDY*** \_\_\_\_\_ ***IN THE BIBLE.***

Cross References: Psalm 38:18; Isaiah 6:5; Luke 5:8

**PRAY FOR A** \_\_\_\_\_.

**C. You will become sensitive to sin . . . understand the grace of God’s forgiveness and volunteer on the ‘front lines’ in order to “introduce others to your Jesus.”**