Saint Mark's Church Sunday School

The Life of Joy is a Gift Code: 11/SP/5 Phil.4:4

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1. General Aims of the unit

To explore the basics of the spiritual life and how to practice them.

2. Special aims of the lesson

- 1. Define the meaning of the spiritual Joy and differentiate between it and the wordily fun and pleasures.
- 2. Highlight the joy as a fruit of the Holy Spirit and a virtue
- 3. Highlight the main reasons for the Christian to rejoice.
- 4. Explore the value of joy in the spiritual life.

3.Outcomes

By the end of this lesson the teens are able to:

- 1. Debate the fact that joy is a must for the progress of the spiritual life.
- 2. Contemplate and remember by heart some of the verses of Joy and practice them.
- 3. Accept (from the Holy Spirit) the gift of joy, their share in this virtue and live in its blessings.

4.Verses: John 16:22 ; 20:20 ; Acts 5:41 ; Phil. 4:4

5.References: Attached notes

- 1. Notes about Joy
- 2. Articles about Joy-from web-sites