



November 21, 2021
Sunday School

MAIN THOUGHT

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.
Revelation 19:7 KJV

Lesson:
Family Restored

Scripture:
Revelation 19:1-8
5:4-5

Unified Topic
Visions of Praise

Weekly Compass

The Lord Rejoices Over You

29 Sing, Daughter

Zion; shout aloud, Israel! Be glad and rejoice with all your heart, Daughter Jerusalem!

¹⁵The LORD has taken away your punishment, he has turned back your enemy.

The LORD, the King of Israel, is with you; never again will you fear any harm. ¹⁶O that day they will say to Jerusalem, "Do not fear, Zion; do not let your hands hang limp.

¹⁷The LORD your God is with you, a Mighty Warrior who saves. He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with loud singing." ¹⁸"I will remove from you all who mourn over the loss of your appointed festivals, which is a burden and reproach for you. ¹⁹At that time I will deal with all who oppressed you. I will rescue the lame; I will gather the exiles. I will give them praise and honor in every land where they have suffered shame. ²⁰At that time I will gather you; at that time, I will

Rejoice and be Glad!

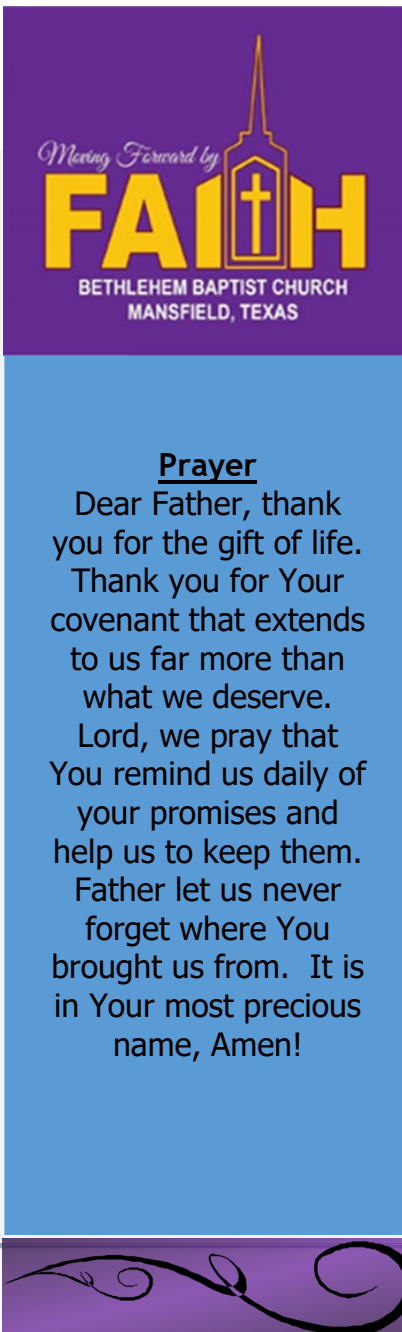


bring you home. I will give you honor and praise among all the peoples of the earth when I restore your fortunes before your very eyes," says the LORD.

Zephaniah 3:14-20 (NIV)

A Picture of Hope and Restoration

Our passage comes from the prophet Zephaniah who preached boldly against the religious and moral decay that was going on when Israel had fallen into grave rebellion against God. In the first three and a half chapters of his book, Zephaniah delivers a series of doom and gloom prophecies of judgment and exile. But thankfully, this was not the whole story. It was not the end for the people of Israel, nor is it the end for the people of today.



Prayer

Dear Father, thank you for the gift of life. Thank you for Your covenant that extends to us far more than what we deserve. Lord, we pray that You remind us daily of your promises and help us to keep them. Father let us never forget where You brought us from. It is in Your most precious name, Amen!

Provision, rebellion, exile, and restoration is the way God dealt with His people in the past, and it is the same way He deals with His people today. When there is a repentance from sin and a turn to faith in Jesus Christ, all is forgiven. When a child apologizes to his parent for his bad attitude and behavior, all is forgiven, and his privileges are restored.

Zephaniah 3:14-20 hold beautiful promises of God’s coming restoration for His people. **Sing** O daughter of Zion—exile is coming to an end! **Shout Aloud:** O Israel—be restored to God’s presence again! **Be Glad:** God’s people—He loves deeply, and He will take sadness away! **Rejoice** Christians: conflicts will cease, diseases will be healed, needs will be met, fears will fade, and worries will be washed away! This is the joy of restoration!



Talking Point(s)

1. What is the message you need to hear from God today?
2. How can you celebrate God’s love for you?
3. What song is He singing over you and with you today?