



## *Where is Joy?*

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*Isaiah 7:14*

*Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel. (NIV)*

### **Having Joy Requires:**

#### I. A Clarity of \_\_\_\_\_

**Key Truth:** There are really two holidays that are celebrated on December 25: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

## II. A Personal Faith

**Key Question:** Do we make it easier for children and grandchildren to believe in Jesus Christ or in Santa?

*1 Peter 1:8*

*Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy,... (NIV)*

## III. A Spirit of Giving

*Acts 20:35*

*“...‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’” (NIV)*

*Acts 4:12*

*“...for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.” (NIV)*

*1 John 5:3-4*

*This is love for God: to obey his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, for everyone born of God overcomes the world. (NIV)*