

1 John - pt. 1

So That You Know That You Believe

1. Believers find a deep-seated _____ in the _____.

1 John 1:1-4 (NIV)

¹ That which was from the beginning, which we have (heard,) which we have (seen) with our eyes, which we have (looked) at and our hands have (touched)--this we (proclaim) concerning the Word of life.

² The life appeared; we have (seen) it and (testify) to it, and we (proclaim) to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us.

³ We (proclaim) to you what we have (seen) and (heard,) so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.

⁴ We write this to make our joy complete.

How Joy Works

2. Deep-seated joy comes when _____ are met.

Security
Value

Love
Identity

How the Gospel Gives Joy

3. The Gospel meets your _____.

4. **Security:** the Gospel gives joy by _____
_____.

1 John 5:12 (NIV)

He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

5. **Love:** The Gospel gives joy by giving you _____ with the _____.

1 John 3:2 (NIV)

Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

6. **Value:** The Gospel gives you joy by placing a value on you _____ your _____.

1 John 4:10 (NIV)

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

7. **Identity:** The Gospel gives joy by giving you a _____ _____.

1 John 3:1 (NIV)

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

8. The Gospel was designed in such a way as to _____ your _____.