

Marks of the  
Spirit Filled Church  
Joyful  
John 16:16-28

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The pursuit of happiness...

1. Jesus wins us invincible joy (v16-22)

2. ...by bringing us into  
relationship with God (v23-28)

Knowing God

Enjoying access to God

on Jesus' authority

with Jesus' aims



**Discussion starter-question**

1. What has struck you most from today's talk?
2. What things do you look to in life to bring you happiness? Why do you think so many experiences of happiness are partial and short-lived?
3. Are there times when you feel God is more likely to answer your prayers than at other times? What difference should it make knowing that we're praying on Jesus' authority?
4. Do we tend to think of salvation as a thing? What difference should it make to the way we pray knowing that salvation is the relationship?
5. What kinds of things hold us back from praying? What truths from this passage can help us knock-down those obstacles?