



Men's Fraternity

"Joy Now"

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FIRST TAKE

"High OR Low." Share your relational HIGH and LOW from the last week. (*This could be related to family, work, faith, etc.)

TEXT

James 1:1-4

TAKEAWAY

- Joy is for inside the suffering, not after it's over.
- God is producing something and we must let it run its course instead of trying to get out of trials.
- You can love Jesus but lose your sense of hearing him.
- The mark of God's work in us is Joy.

TALK (Take Notes from the Video)

TURN IT UP (Questions to talk through)

1. Everyone is making disciples. What matters is what kind of disciples we are becoming and what type of disciples we make. Who do you listen to the most in forming your beliefs about life and the tensions going on in the U.S. right now?
2. If we are a true disciple of Jesus, Joy should be the first characteristic someone picks up and even hears first when they are around us. Does that reflect where you're at right now?
3. James challenges us to 'let it' (the trials) have its work or run its course. Do you find this easy or hard for you to find the balance between working your way through trials vs. letting God work through the trials?
4. Pray together for our country and specifically for your enemies this morning.

Hugh introduces us to a musical version of the Book of James, Here's the FREE YouTube link:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=OLAK5uy_nF243IG0pqjEiFfbLejr7T-RbS9Jwn6hc

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