Small Group Discussion Questions

1. What initially grabs your attention in this text? What questions or thoughts arise as you reflect on what it is saying in light of our current election and circumstances?

2. How do you differentiate between happiness based on circumstances and resilient joy that comes from a deep relationship with God? Can you share a personal experience where you've found joy despite difficult circumstances?

3. In Habakkuk 3:18, the prophet declares, "yet I will rejoice in the Lord." What role does faith play in cultivating resilient joy, especially during challenging times?

4. How does understanding your position in Christ influence your perspective on joy?

5. What steps have you taken or can you take to deepen your relationship with God? How do you think these steps contribute to experiencing resilient joy?

6. How important is the role of a small group in experiencing and sustaining joy? How can being part of a small group foster an environment of resilient joy?

7. What are some personal strategies you can adopt to ask God for joy daily? How can you remind yourself of God's promises on a regular basis?

8. Reflecting on the question "Who is God to me?" how can this personal understanding of Christ as Savior and Lord enhance your experience of joy, especially when facing uncertainty or doubt?

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