



PREVIEW  
May 19, 2024



**REMINDER . . . rising kindergarten students moved up to Elementary last Sunday and we launched our new Lower Elementary / Upper Elementary groups.**

**PSALM 126:1-6**

**Question to ponder:**

How should we respond to God’s restoration of our joy?

**Answer to consider:**

Give all glory, honor and praise to Him!

**Main idea to explore:**

Think back to the last time something really good happened in your life. Did your coworkers notice? How about your family? Your kids? Most likely, if it was something that you celebrated, it was noticed by those closest to you.

Psalm 126 teaches us that a truly joyful life isn’t found by living in the moment. True joy is found as we reflect and live in light of the past, present and future restoration from God. And when those around us see our joy explode with “mouths of laughter” and “tongues of joy”, they will respond “The LORD has done great things for them!”

This week we can have some fun with our lessons as we see expressions of joyous pilgrims. But, since we have the opportunity to take them a little deeper into the passage and explore how others see God’s restoration of our joy, let’s drive home the truth that . . . **“restored joy comes from God and God alone”**.

Enjoy your preparation time this week! See you Sunday!! ☺

**Main points:**

We are called to live in light of . . . .

- 1. the past
- 2. the present
- 3. the future