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12.11.22 Gathering #923/Livestream #143
Series: And the Mountains in Reply
Sermon: Mountain of Joy

"They go right to the heart of it."

Isaiah 35 and an image of joy (p. 496)

Plants renewed (vs. 1-2)

People restored (vs. 3-6)

A Way for the redeemed (6-10)

Observations about joy:

1.

2.

3.

Nathan Oates 12.11.22

WELCOME!

We'd love to get connected!
Please scan this code to share your
contact information.

WHAT'S NEXT?

- 12.14: Last Youth Groups of the year.
- 12.18: Kids Christmas program at 10a
  - (at the end of the 9a gathering).
- 12.24: Christmas Eve gatherings: 2p & 3:30p.
- 12.25: One Christmas Morning gathering at 10a.
- 12.26-30: Church Office Closed
- 1.1: One gathering on New Years Day at 10a.
- 1.1: Season 4: Emmaus Footnotes podcast begins.
- 1.8: South Africa Mission interest meeting.
- 1.18: Youth Groups Spring Semester begins!
- 1.22: January Membership Class after the 11a.

HOW TO HELP/COMPASSION:

This December we invite you to share
in a special gift we're giving to support
life-affirming organizations providing
help to women and babies. Scan this code to
give to the "Christmas Compassion Plan."

Funds raised will be split between Sierra
Pregnancy and Health in Roseville and
Impact Baby Rescue in South Africa.

BOOK STORE

The Emmaus Book Store is open and full of
great books and beautiful items created by the
young women in AIM's restoration house. All
books are sold at cost.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR THIS WEEK'S HOME GROUPS:

- What was the most
  interesting/challenging part of Sunday's
  sermon?
- Does joy feel like a worn-out topic?
  Why/why not?
- Re-read Isaiah 35:1-10. Add your own
  associations to the dream-like language of
  the prophet. What comes to mind as you
  read his vision?
- How has your experience of joy felt like a
  journey?
- In what ways has your experience with joy
  been connected to suffering or sadness?
- The distinction of the joy anticipated by
  Isaiah is that it is brought about by
  God/God's anointed. Pray for this kind of
  joy to fill the people in your group this
  Christmas.