## Finding the Source of Joy A Study in Philippians

I. Read Philippians 1:1-2
A. Who sent the Letter?
B. Who was it addressed to?
C. How are they described?
D. Read Acts 16:12-40 and I Thessalonians 2:2.
1. What further information do we see about the city of Philippi?
II. Read Philippians 1:3-11
A. Define the word joy?
B. What was the cause of joy in Paul's life?
C. How was Paul and these Christians connected?
D. Verse 6 What kind of hope does Paul give to the believers?
E. What kind of love did Paul have for the believers?
F. Philippians 1:9-11 What did Paul want to see happen in the lives of the believers?
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Part of Paul's joy came from seeing other believers mature in their faith. He rejoiced especially when he had a part in that growth, see Philippians 1:26.
III. From these verses what are some other reasons that Christians have to rejoice?
A. Matthew 5:12
B. Luke 10:20
C. John 16:22
D. Romans 5:2
E. Romans 5:3

F. Romans 5:11 \_\_\_\_\_

IV. Paul wrote a letter about joy from prison. What do these verses say about a believer's
attitude toward suffering?
A. Acts 5:41
B. Romans 5:3
C. Philippians 1:29
D. James 1:2
E. I Peter 4:13