KEEP GROWING

4. Review the "5 reasons to be happy" that were listed in this message. Which ones stand out to you the most and why? Are there any other reasons you can think of that where not mentioned?

5. In verse 9 the Apostle Paul prays that the Philippians love may abound "more and more." Why do you think he was praying for this? How can your love abound more and more and to whom does it need to abound? What specific steps do you need to take this week to make this a reality?

6. Read Acts 16: 6-40, which gives the background for the start of this church in Philippi. What stands out to you in these verses? How do you see this "unexplainable joy" exhibited and displayed? What can we learn from these beginnings?

BONUS CHALLENGE:

Read the entire book of Philippians in one sitting two times this week. Then go back and read a chapter each day. Write down what stands out to you in each chapter. Share it with a family member, friend or your small group.

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TITLE	SPEAKER	PASSAGE
The Reason for Joy	Ron Zappia	Philippians 1:1-11

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Unexplainable Joy
Reason for Joy
For the week of **September 10, 2017**
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GOAL: To experience more and more of this "unexplainable joy" and to share it with others.

GET GOING:

1. What is the definition for "joy" that was shared in this message? What makes this "joy" different then the "happiness" this world offers? Can you think of a challenging time in your life when you experienced this "joy?" How can we help others experience this "joy" in the midst of lifes trials and difficulties?

2. In your own words describe what this letter (the Book of Philippians) is about, why it was written and summarize the teachings in Chapter 1.

3. In verse 6 the Apostle Paul tells us that "He who began a good work in you will be bring it to completion." What work is he referring to? How can you experience this to the fullest? Are you doing anything personally that is hindering this work?

BONUS THOUGHT:

"I don't think of all the misery but of the beauty that remains."
-Ann Frank