

Thoughts to Make Your heart sing

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How can we approach life with the humility, simple truth mindset, and joy of a child? Bestselling and award-winning children's author Sally Lloyd-Jones is back at the table for a conversation that will help you reexamine your approach to life's struggles, opportunities, and perspectives on day-to-day-living.



THIS WEEK'S DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Have you ever had someone say something negative about you that you can't seem to forget? Do you think God feels that way about you? How does 2 Corinthians 4:17 place these questions in perspective?
- Do you agree with the statement, "The Bible is really a book about God"? Does Psalm 105 help you answer that question? What are some of your favorite stories in the Bible, and what do they tell you about God?
- Do you struggle with perfectionism or expect others to be perfect? Is that something you want to pass on to the children in your life? Would God love you more if you were perfect? (See Psalm 143:8.)
- What might it look like if we had a right-sized view of ourselves? Read Psalm 8:3-4. What do these verses suggest about our place in God's great creation?
- What are the most important things you want to communicate to the children in your life? What are or were some of your "go-to" quotes for influencing them? How might Romans 8:28 help you in continuing to impact their lives?



CHALLENGE

Consider a difficult situation in your life currently and how you might approach it with childlike thinking. Search your heart and see how God might use this posture of a humble heart to remediate the situation.



COMMIT TO MEMORY

"The LORD protects those of childlike faith" (Psalm 116:6 NLT).



PRAYER

Father, I know I have allowed the everyday challenges of life to rob me of a childlike view and a childlike faith. Help me realize the value of coming to you as a child, trusting you as a child, and resting in you as a child. Thank you for loving me, and help me to pass that love on to the kids in my life. In Jesus's name I pray, Amen.