Joy Without Limits: The Joy of Integrity GULF SHORES CHURCH OF CHRIST Sermon by Ray Reynolds

Text: Titus 2:6-8

<u>Introduction</u>: We are studying a series of lessons on the subject of joy. We know that Jesus commanded His disciples to be joyful. **John 15:11** says, "These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full." We hear the word "integrity" from time to time, but what does it mean? Integrity can be a source of joy to the believer. As a Christian, am I commanded to have integrity or is it just a result of maturity in Christ? Let's study together about integrity

Discussion:

I. The Bible Consistently Speaks of Integrity

Integrity will resist compromise (Proverbs 11:3). Integrity will resist conformity (Romans 12:1-2).

Integrity will resist corruption (Proverbs 28:21).

Integrity will resist contentiousness (John 12:6).

II. The Bible Characters Show Integrity

Job was a man of integrity (Job 1:1, 1:20-21, 2:9). David was a man of integrity (Psalm 7, I Samuel 13:14). Jesus was a man of integrity (I Peter 2:21-25).

III. The Bible Considerably Stimulates Integrity

The Bible will stimulate us to be more truthful (Ephesians 4:25).

The Bible will stimulate us to be more sincere (Philippians 1:10).

The Bible will stimulate us to be more righteous (Proverbs 14:2).

<u>Conclusion</u>: Each child of God should drink from the well of joy! Find joy and happiness through honorable behavior. When you do the right thing its good for the soul! May God bless us when we follow Him more faithfully!