Answer Key:	Something is getting ready to Happen.
What is Joy?	
respond • hallmark • gift • learning	Part 4
	"JOY"
Joy Busters	Philippians 4:4 NLT
• Busyness • Familiarly • Fear	"Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again—rejoice!"
	What is Joy?
How can we get Joy?	• Joy is choosing to to <i>external</i> circumstances
• Thank • worry • Pray • Th	nk with <i>inner</i> contentment and satisfaction, because we know that God will use
	these experiences to accomplish His work in and through our lives
How to have Joy at Christmas?	• Joy is meant to be a of the Christian
1. Angel's	life.
Singing	• Joy is both a of God as well as a response to
2. Shepherds	the gifts of God.
Good News	• The process of to respond with joy
3. Wise Men	during times of trials in life must begin with a conscious awareness that God
• Giving	is at work in our lives and that He has a tangible purpose for why we may be
The Gifts	
Gold / Royalty	experiencing these trials.
Frankincense / Divinity	Joy Busters
Myrrh / Humanity	•
What we learn from the Wise Men	•
Themselves / their gifts	•

## How can we get Joy?

• \_\_\_\_\_ God in all things.

• Don't \_\_\_\_\_\_ about anything.

• \_\_\_\_\_ about everything.

• \_\_\_\_\_ about the right things.

James 1:2 NLT

"The reason why many are still troubled, still seeking, still making little forward progress us because they have not yet come to the end of themselves. We are still trying to give orders and interfering with God's work within us." A.W. Tozer

How to have Joy at Christmas?

1. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ found Joy in

\_\_\_\_\_ to the Jesus.

Luke 2:8-14 GNT

"There were some shepherds in that part of the country...

2. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ found Joy by sharing the

Luke 2:15-20 NIV

"Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened,

3. The	found Joy
by	
Matthev	v 2:1-11 NIV
"On coming to the h	oouse, they saw the child
The	Gifts
• The gift of	represents Jesus as
2 Chronicles	9:1, 9, 14, 24 NIV
• The gift of	represents Jesus
as	
Exodus 30:8; 1 Kings 9:25; 2	Chronicles 2:4; Malachi 1:11 NIV
• The gift of	represents Jesus as
John 19	9:39-40 NIV
What we learn f	rom the Wise Men
They offered	, then they offered
	!
Isaiah	29:13 GNT

"These people claim to worship me, but their words are meaningless, and their hearts are somewhere else. Their religion is nothing but human rules and traditions, which they have simply memorized."

## Mark 12:30 NIV

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."