

JOY IN THE LIFE OF THE BELIEVER

- ◆ _____ is a way to measure our progress in our relationship with Jesus and our _____ as a believer.
- ◆ "...continue with all of you for your progress and _____ in faith," Philippians 1.25
- ◆ JOY is the natural result of _____ , _____ & _____ .
- ◆ _____ in the Lord always; again I will say, _____ . Philippians 4.4

Additional notes:

The Promise of JOY!



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JESUS & THE PROMISE OF JOY

- ◆ "These things I have spoken to you so that My _____ may be in you, and that your _____ may be made full. John 15.11
- ◆ you will grieve, but your grief will be turned into _____ . John 16.20
- ◆ I will see you again, and your heart will _____ , and no one will take your _____ away from you. John 16.22
- ◆ "Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your _____ may be made full. John 16.24
- ◆ "But now I come to You; and these things I speak in the world so that they may have My _____ made full in themselves. . John 17.13
- ◆ According to the New Testament believers are a _____ or _____ people. This is promised over _____ times. i.e. Matthew 5.5,-11

LIMITS TO HAPPINESS

- ◆ Happiness used to be limited to:
 - ◆ The _____
 - ◆ The _____
 - ◆ The _____
 - ◆ The _____

JESUS & THE LIMITS TO HAPPINESS

- ◆ Jesus promised Happiness to
 - ◆ The Children of _____ Galatians 3.26
 - ◆ The _____ to Sin in Christ 1 Thes. 4.16, Rom. 6.11
 - ◆ The _____ Filled believer Acts 1.8
 - ◆ The _____ in faith James 2.5

DIRECTIONS TO BE JOYFUL

- ◆ Sing for _____ in the LORD... Play skillfully with a shout of joy. Ps. 33.1, 3
- ◆ _____ yourself in the LORD; Ps. 37.4
- ◆ _____ in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! Phil. 4.4
- ◆ Let us be glad and _____, and let us give honor to him. Revelation 19.7

5 REASONS FOR JOY IN THE BELIEVER

- ◆ **FIRST** _____ is a Character _____ of God
- ◆ God the _____: the _____ of the LORD is your strength.” Nehemiah 8.10
- ◆ God the _____: “These things I have spoken to you so that My _____ may be in you, John 15.11
- ◆ God the _____: the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and _____ in the Holy Spirit. Romans 14.17
- ◆ **SECOND** _____ is included in the _____ of the Spirit given to every believer.
- ◆ But the fruit of the Spirit is love, _____, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Galatians 5.22-23
- ◆ **THIRD** _____ is designed to help _____ the individual
- ◆ A _____ heart is good medicine, Proverbs 17.22
- ◆ **FOURTH**: _____ is part of our _____ and comes because we are forgiven and have a new outlook on life.
- ◆ Restore to me the _____ of Your _____
And sustain me with a willing spirit. Psalm 51.12

- ◆ **FIFTH**: _____ is part of the Christian experience
- ◆ though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly _____ with _____ inexpressible and full of glory, obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls. 1 Peter 1.8-9
- ◆ These things we write, so that our _____ may be made complete. 1 John 1.4
- ◆ that in a great ordeal of affliction their abundance of _____ and their deep poverty overflowed in the wealth of their liberality. 2 Corinthians 8.2



JOY IN THE BOOK OF MATTHEW

- ◆ **The** _____: The one factor that all humans share. The need to find God and worship Him.
- ◆ For we saw His star in the east and have come to _____ Him.” Matthew 2.1
- ◆ When they saw the star, they _____ exceedingly with great _____. Matthew 2.10
- ◆ **The** _____: Discovering the answer to all the questions of life is a real person who loves us.
- ◆ “The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found and hid again; and from _____ over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Matthew 13.44
- ◆ **The** _____: The absolute Joy in sharing our daily lives with the God of creation.
- ◆ “His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the _____ of your master.’ Matthew 25.21
- ◆ **The** _____: The message we share because we know it is true.
- ◆ And they left the tomb quickly with fear and great _____ and ran to report Matthew 28.18