



**JOY?**

**JOYFUL?**

**Celebration?**



# WHY JOY?



**Birthday    Catching the big fish    Parades    Births**

**Graduation    Degree    Job    Friends and Family**

**Sunrises    Sunsets    Longer daylight time**

**Meeting your mate    Marrying    Anniversary**

**Weddings    Victory    Making the team    Food**

**Hallmark Channel    Love    A Good Book    Faith**

**In God We Trust    With God All Things Are Possible**  
**Finishing The Day    Free Choice**



# WHAT GIVES YOU

## JOY?

**A Call   A Recipe   Shopping   A Good Run   Birds**

**A Warm House   A Safe Journey   A Soft Bed**

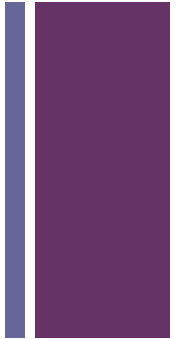
**Paid Bills   Grandchildren   Achievement   Health**

**Vacation   Special events   Precious Memories**

**Gifts I Have Been Given   The Wonder of Sight**

**Songs That Speak To Me   A Kind Word   Inclusion**

**Appreciation   Significance   Needs   Wants**





# JOY IS POSSIBLE



**Hebrews 12:1-3 “Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and LET US RUN with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith,**



# JOY IS POSSIBLE



**Who for the **JOY** set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.**

# + JOY In AFFLICTION?



## ■ Matthew 5:11-12

- **“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. **Rejoice** and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”**



# SINNER/REPENTS/JOY



**Luke 15:7 Rejoicing** in heaven over one sinner who repents...

**Luke 15:10 Rejoicing** in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.

**Luke 15:32 ...we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.**

**AMAZING GRACE!!!!!!**



# JOY IS INSIDE AND OUT



**Galatians 5:1 It is for freedom that Christ has set us free  
verse 5 ...by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the  
righteousness for which we hope. Verse 16 ...live by the  
Spirit...**

**Verse 18 ...if you are led by the Spirit.. Verse 22**

**...the fruit of the Spirit is love, JOY, peace, patience,  
kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-  
control verse 25 Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep  
in step with the Spirit.**





# PURE JOY



**James 1:2-4 Consider it **PURE JOY**, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.**



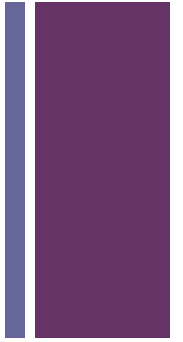
# THE JOY OF THE LORD



**Nehemiah 8:10** Nehemiah said,  
“Go and enjoy choice food and  
sweet drinks, and send some to  
those who have nothing  
prepared. This day is sacred to  
our Lord. Do not grieve, for the  
**JOY OF THE LORD IS YOUR  
STRENGTH.**”

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# THE JOY COMMAND



**Philippians 4:4**

**Rejoice** in the Lord  
always. I will say it  
again: **Rejoice!**

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# REJOICE DAILY!

**Psalm 118:24 This is  
the day the Lord has  
made; let us rejoice  
and be glad in it.**

