

“JOY!” “JOY!” “JOY!”

I. IN THE BOOK OF PHILIPPIANS PAUL TEACHES US ABOUT TRUE JOY!

¹² Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me **has actually served to advance the gospel.** ¹³ **As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ.** ¹⁴ **And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.** **PHILIPPIANS 1:12-14 NIV**

¹⁸ . . . **The important thing is that in every way, ...Christ is preached.** And because of this **I rejoice. Yes, and I will continue to rejoice,** ¹⁹ for I know that through **your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ** what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance.

PHILIPPIANS 18-19 NIV

II. JOY WHEN THE LORD IS DISCIPLINING US TO MAKE US STRONGER!

1. James 1:2-3 NIV

² Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.

2. Hebrews 12:11 NASB

All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields **the peaceful fruit of righteousness.**

3. Nehemiah 8:10 NIV

Nehemiah said, “Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. **Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.**”

4. Psalm 30:5 KJV

For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, **but “Joy cometh in the morning!”**.

III. TRUE JOY COMES FROM GOD!

Galatians 5:19-21 NIV

¹⁹ The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery;²⁰ idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹ and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² **But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,** ²³ **gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.**

Galatians 5:22-23 NIV

IV. ULTIMATE JOY!

Hebrews 12:2 NASB

²fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of GOD.

V. "THE CHURCH"

Romans 12:15 NIV

¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

VI. "THIS JOY IS FOR YOU!"

1. Philippians 4:4-5 NIV

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.

... godliness with contentment is great gain. **I Timothy 6:6 NIV**

2. Do Not Be Afraid Or Anxious But Pray Earnestly!

⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. **Philippians 4:6 NIV**

3. The Peace! The Joy!

⁷And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. **Philippians 4:7 NIV**

"REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS I WILL SAY IT AGAIN, REJOICE!"

Mind The Laws: Kona Numbers Are Going Up!

Waimea Be Careful

Pray For God's Will To Be Done During This Time!

I'm Praying: "Come Lord Jesus Come!"

"Stay Safe!" "Be Blessed!"