# **HOW TO MAINTAIN YOUR JOY**

## (1) JESUS IS THE SOURCE OF YOUR JOY

Neh. 8:10 Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for *this* day *is* holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

Rom. 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

John 15:11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

<u>Psa. 16:11</u> Thou wilt shew me the path of life: <u>in thy presence is fulness of joy</u>; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

<u>Is. 56:7</u> Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, <u>and make them joyful in my house of prayer:</u> their burnt offerings and their sacrifices *shall be* accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people.

Psa. 19:8 The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

#### (2) FORGIVENESS

Eph. 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

<u>ls. 43:25</u> I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and <u>will not</u> remember thy sins.

Heb. 10:16 This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; Heb. 10:17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

<u>Luke 10:20</u> Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

1Tim. 1:4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: so do.

1Tim. 1:5 Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and <u>of a good conscience</u>, and <u>of faith unfeigned</u>.

## (3) ANSWERED PRAYER

John 16:24 Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

Rom. 15:13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

<u>Gal. 3:5</u> He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, *doeth he it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

Acts 8:5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.

Acts 8:6 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

Acts 8:7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.

Acts 8:8 And there was great joy in that city.

#### (4) THE CONFESSIONS OF YOUR MOUTH

<u>Prov. 15:23</u> A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word *spoken* in due season, how good *is it*!

<u>Psa. 27:6</u> And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD.

<u>Psa. 35:27</u> Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.

Prov. 10:11 The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

Prov. 12:14 A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth: and the recompense of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him. Psa. 19:14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

<u>Prov. 12:18</u> There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise *is* health.

Prov. 12:25 Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.

Prov. 15:4 A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.

Prov. 15:30 The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: and a good report maketh the bones fat.

Prov. 16:24 Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

Prov. 23:16 Yea, my reins shall rejoice, when thy lips speak right things.

## (5) SERVING GOD

<u>John 15:7</u> If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. <u>John 15:8</u> Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

<u>Matt. 25:21</u> His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

<u>John 15:16</u> Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

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