

More Than A Feeling

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Psalms 3:4 NLT - I cried out to the Lord, and he answered me from his holy mountain.

Psalms 13:5 NLT - But I trust in your unfailing love. I will rejoice because you have rescued me.

Psalms 18:3 NLT - I called on the Lord, who is worthy of praise, and he saved me from my enemies.

Philippians 4:4 NLT - Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again—rejoice!

Philippians 4:6-7 NLT - Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:8-9 NLT - And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from me—everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you.

NOTES:

Joy vs Happiness...They are the same, but different.

The difference isn't the _____

The difference is the _____

How do we experience joy?

1: Joy comes from _____.....Focus on _____

2: Joy grows in _____

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John 15:9-11 NLT - I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow!

Hebrews 10:24-25 ESV - And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

James 1:2-4 NIV - Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Hebrews 12:2 NIV - ...For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

1 Peter 1:6-7 NIV - In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

2 Corinthians 8:2-3 NIV - In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability..

Notes:

How do we find joy in the midst of trials?

1: The joy the _____ gives is not the same as the joy the _____ gives.

2: God's joy cannot be _____

3: God's joy is a _____

Joy is both a _____ and a _____

1 Thessalonians 1:6 NIV - You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit.

Habakkuk 3:17-18 NIV - Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Savior.

