



THIS JOY THAT I HAVE
The Principles - Part 3
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- Joy is the emotion of great delight caused by something exceptionally good or satisfying.
 - Joy must become a pursuit and concentration.
 - It's necessary to have a personal joy self-evaluation.
 - Joy is mentioned over 300 times in the Bible.
 - Joy is a fruit of being Spirit-led.
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- ✓ **GOT JOY** - Do you have it?
 - ✓ **GET JOY** - Do you want it?
 - ✓ **GROW JOY** - Will you let God fill you with it?
 - ✓ **GIVE JOY** - Will you show it?
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- This is a recognition that your joy resides in you.
 - Joy must be embraced by those who have it before they can share it.

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

John 15:11 NKJV

1. When Joy Is Present Inwardly, It Is Presented Outwardly

A. By Actions - what you do outwardly indicates the presence of or lack of joy

B. By Attitude - how you act toward life and toward people is evidence of the presence

of joy.

2 Corinthians 12:7-10 NKJV; Acts 20:22-24 NKJV

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2. The Effects Of The Presence Of Joy On Others

- A. People are drawn to you when joy is present.
- B. People are repelled by you when joy is not present.
- C. Are people able to recognize the joy in your life? Can your joy be seen?

Numbers 13:30-33 NKJV; Job 1:20-22 NKJV

3. Joy Is Contagious - The Presence Of Joy Spreads Joy

- A. When joy is present in your life, it affects others around you.
- B. People avoid those who are not joyful; this also can be contagious. **Proverbs 22:24 MSG**
- C. You can add joy to others' lives when it is present in your life. **2 John 1:12 NKJV**

4. The Presence Of Joy Is Connected To The Presence Of God **Psalms 16:11 NLT**

- A. God's presence always invokes the presence of joy. You cannot be in His presence and out of joy. The more of Him you possess, the more joy you possess.

Romans 5:1-4 NKJV

- B. A lack of the presence of joy is always a sign of ungratefulness to God. You are conveying to God that you really don't care about what He has done.

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