

# THE JOY BIBLE STUDY

1. We will take a look at what joy is for us.
  - a. According to Nehemiah 8:18 what is the joy of the Lord for us? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - What does this tell us about joy? \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. According to Romans 14:17 what are we told that joy is part of? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. We also need to examine the source of joy.
  - a. According to Psalm 19:8 what gives joy to the heart? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - b. According to Psalm 119:111 what should be a source of joy for us? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - c. According to Luke 10:20 what should be a source of great joy for us? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - d. According to Luke 10:21 how was Jesus full of joy? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - e. According to Luke 15:7 what brings joy to those who are in heaven? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - What should our response to this be? \_\_\_\_\_.
  - f. According to Acts 14:15-17 what is meant to fill our hearts with joy? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - g. According to Romans 12:12 what will give us joy? \_\_\_\_\_.
  
3. Joy is not just a feeling; it is a deep sense of well-being that comes from being in right relationship with God. Some verses make clear that joy is a choice.
  - a. According to Psalm 100:1-2 what are three expressions of joy that are commanded by the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - b. According to Habakkuk 3:17-18, when circumstances are difficult, what is our chosen response to be? \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. According to Acts 5:41-42, after the apostles were flogged (beaten with a whip), what was their response? \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Why were they able to have this response? \_\_\_\_\_.
  - What did they do in their joy? \_\_\_\_\_.
  - d. According to Acts 16:22-26, when faced with terrible suffering, what was the response of Paul and Silas? \_\_\_\_\_.
  - What was the end result of their situation because they decided to take joy in the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_.
  - e. According to 1 Thessalonians how often are we to be joyful? \_\_\_\_\_.

f. According to Hebrews 10:34 why were people able to have joy even when bad things were happening to them? \_\_\_\_\_

g. According to 1 Peter 4:12-13 what should be our motivation to rejoice? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Now look at the specific ways the Bible reveals for us to obtain joy.

a. According to Psalm 16:11 what is the source of joy? \_\_\_\_\_

b. According to Psalm 37:3-4 what are three things we should do in order to find joy in life? \_\_\_\_\_

c. According to Proverbs 12:20 what do we need to do in order to have joy in life? \_\_\_\_\_

d. According to Proverbs 15:30 what brings joy to the heart? \_\_\_\_\_  
What does that tell us about what we should do? \_\_\_\_\_

e. According to Jeremiah 15:16 what is an important source of joy? \_\_\_\_\_

f. According to John 15:10-11 what is a three step process the brings complete joy to us? \_\_\_\_\_

g. According to John 16:24 what will bring joy to us? \_\_\_\_\_

h. According to Matthew 13:44 what was the response to the great joy of finding the treasure of the kingdom? \_\_\_\_\_

i. According to Romans 15:13 what must we do if we are to receive the joy of the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_

j. According to Philippians 4:4 in whom are we to rejoice? \_\_\_\_\_

k. According to Hebrews 1:9 why did God anoint this person with the oil of joy? \_\_\_\_\_

l. According to 1 Peter 1:8-9 what is it that causes someone to be filled with glorious joy? \_\_\_\_\_

5. It is not only God's intent that we experience continuous joy here on the earth. The greatest joy is yet to come. Only when we trust in Jesus can we experiences the great promises of everlasting joy described in the Scripture.

a. According to John 16:20-22 what will turn our grief into joy? \_\_\_\_\_  
When will this happen? \_\_\_\_\_

Will this joy be temporary or permanent? \_\_\_\_\_

b. According to 2 Corinthians 5:1-5 why do we groan now? \_\_\_\_\_

What will happen that will bring eternal joy to us? \_\_\_\_\_

c. According to Revelation 21:4 what are four things that will no longer be experienced when we are in heaven? \_\_\_\_\_