Joy in Spite of Trouble 1:12-14

Philippians 1:3 *I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now,*
v6 being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;
v7 just as it is right for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my chains and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers with me of grace.
v8 For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ. 9 And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment,
v10 *that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.*
v12 But I want you to know, brethren, that the things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel, so that it has become evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that my chains are in Christ; and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

Galatians 5:22a *But the fruit of the Spirit is love,* ***joy****, peace.....*
Psalm 51:12a *Restore to me the* ***joy*** *of Your salvation,*

Joy is the flag which is flown from the castle of the heart, when Jesus is in residence there.

John 16:33 *These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.*

James 1:2-3 *My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.*

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2 Corinthians 11:24-27 *From the Jews five times I received forty stripes minus one. Three times I was beaten with rods; once I was stoned; three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeys often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils of my own countrymen, in perils of the Gentiles, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; in weariness and toil, in sleeplessness often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness,*

Acts 26:16 *Now when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard; but Paul was permitted to dwell by himself* ***with*** *the soldier who guarded him.*

Where Jesus Rules, Joy will Reign!

Ephesians 2:8-9 *For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.*

Gospel Results Outside the Church v13

Ephesians 3:1 *For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus...*

Ephesians 6:19 *and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in* ***chains****,*

Gospel Results Inside the Church v14

Romans 5:8 *But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

Romans 3:23 *for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,*

1 Corinthians 15:3-6 *Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once...*

John 3:16 *For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*
John 3:3 *..."Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."*

2 Corinthians 5:17 *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.*