

JOY COMPLETE:
The Joy of Obeying God's Commands
1 John 5:1-5
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For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments.

Keep His commandments = what God's love _____.
Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. (v. 1)

Keep His commandments = what God's love _____.
By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. (v. 2)

Keep His commandments = what God's love _____.
For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world – our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? (vv. 4-5)

And his commandments are not burdensome.

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

The burden of _____ is replaced by the freedom of _____.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. (Matthew 11:28-30)

The burden of _____ is replaced by the freedom of _____.

For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. (Romans 5:19)

The burden of _____ is replaced by the freedom of the _____.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. (Galatians 5:22-23)

The burden of _____ is replaced by the freedom of God's _____.

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:8)

Legend

Keep His commandments = what God's love looks like.

Keep His commandments = what God's love accomplishes.

Keep His commandments = what God's love empowers.

The burden of obligation is replaced by the freedom of loving obedience.

The burden of rejection is replaced by the freedom of full acceptance.

The burden of inadequacy is replaced by the freedom of the Spirit's power.

The burden of failure is replaced by the freedom of God's grace.

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