

Fruit of the Spirit - Joy

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Galatians 5:16-23

Theme: Believers Practice Enduring Joy by the Power of His Indwelling Spirit

Fruit of the Spirit: Demonstrable evidence that the Father who has redeemed His children by the blood of His Son has sent His indwelling Spirit to produce in them an increasing reflection of the image of the One who created them.

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Fruit of the Spirit: 9 Evidences of God's Redemptive Work

Evidence 1: Love

Evidence 2: Joy

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¹⁶But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. ¹⁷For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law. ¹⁹Now the deeds of the flesh are evident,

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which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,
²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy,
outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,
²¹envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like
these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have
forewarned you, that those who practice such
things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²But

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the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

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I. The Source of Joy

Romans 14:17

¹⁷for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

1 Thessalonians 1:6

⁶You also became imitators of us and of the Lord,
having received the word in much tribulation with
the joy of the Holy Spirit,

John 15:11

¹¹These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.

John 17:13

¹³But now I come to You; and these things I speak in the world so that they may have My joy made full in themselves.

Nehemiah 8:10

¹⁰Then he said to them, "Go, eat of the fat, drink of the sweet, and send portions to him who has nothing prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. Do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Psalms 16:11

¹¹You will make known to me the path of life;
In Your presence is fullness of joy;
In Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

Job 20:4-5

⁴Do you know this from of old,
From the establishment of man on earth, ⁵That the
triumphing of the wicked is short,
And the joy of the godless momentary?

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- II. The Practice of Joy
 - ✓ Practice 1: Practice the Praise of God

Psalms 66:1-4

¹Shout joyfully to God, all the earth; ²Sing the glory of His name;
Make His praise glorious. ³Say to God, "How awesome are Your works!
Because of the greatness of Your power Your enemies will give feigned obedience to You. ⁴All the earth will worship You,

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And will sing praises to You;
They will sing praises to Your name." Selah.

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Psalms 66:5

⁵Come and see the works of God,
Who is awesome in His deeds toward the sons of
men.

Psalms 66:8

⁸Bless our God, O peoples,
And sound His praise abroad,

Psalms 66:16

¹⁶Come and hear, all who fear God,
And I will tell of what He has done for my soul.

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“How was your holiday?”

“We had a great time this past week spending time with family and enjoying good food as we reflected on all the blessings that God has poured out on us through His Son Jesus Christ.”

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James 1:2-4

²Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, ³knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. ⁴And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

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James 1:12

¹²Blessed is a man who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.

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Common Threats to Our Joy:

1. Relationship Conflict

Philippians 4:4

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!

Philippians 4:2-3

²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to live in harmony in the Lord. ³Indeed, true companion, I ask you also to help these women who have shared my struggle in the cause of the gospel, together with Clement also and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

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Common Threats to Our Joy:

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2. Economic Situation

2 Corinthians 8:1-2

¹Now, brethren, we wish to make known to you the grace of God which has been given in the churches of Macedonia, ²that in a great ordeal of affliction their abundance of joy and their deep poverty overflowed in the wealth of their liberality.

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Romans 12:12

¹²rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation,
devoted to prayer,

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- I. The Source of Joy
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- III. The Objects of Our Rejoicing
 - Category 1: Who God Is – His Nature
 - Category 2: What God Has Done / Will Do – His Works
 - Category 3: What God Has Provided – His Provision

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1. The Wife of Your Youth (Proverbs 5:18)
2. The Coming of the Son (Matthew 2:10)
3. That Your Names are Recorded in Heaven (Luke 10:20)
4. Grace of God (Acts 11:23)
5. The Proclamation of the Gospel (Philippians 1:18)
6. Others Walking in the Truth (3 John 4)
7. Fellow Believers and Their Obedience (Romans 16:19; 1 Thessalonians 2:20, Colossians 2:5)
8. Repentance (2 Corinthians 7:9)
9. Sufferings for Your Sake (Colossians 1:24)
10. Revelation of His Glory (1 Peter 4:13)

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Psalms 95:1-2

¹O come, let us sing for joy to the LORD,
Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.
²Let us come before His presence with
thanksgiving,
Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.