

## *1. Joy Is Found In God's Presence*

### **Psalm 16:5-11**

O Lord, You are the portion of my inheritance and my cup;  
You maintain my lot.

6 The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places;  
Yes, I have a good inheritance.

7 I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel;  
My heart also instructs me in the night seasons.

8 I have set the Lord always before me;  
Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved.

9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices;  
My flesh also will rest in hope.

10 For You will not leave my soul in [d]Sheol,  
Nor will You allow Your Holy One to [e]see corruption.

11 You will show me the path of life;  
In Your presence is fullness of joy;  
At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

## *2. Our Joy Is Anchored In Salvation*

### **Psalm 5:11**

But let all those rejoice who put their trust in You;  
Let them ever shout for joy, because You defend them;  
Let those also who love Your name  
Be joyful in You.

### **Isaiah 61:10**

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My soul shall be joyful in my God;  
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He has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
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### 3. *We Must Choose Joy*

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#### **Promises of Hope: 1 Peter 1:8-9**

whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, 9 receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls.

#### **Promises of Favor: Psalm 30:5**

For His anger is but for a moment,  
His favor is for life;  
Weeping may endure for a night,  
But joy comes in the morning.

#### **Promises of Strength: Habakkuk 3:17-19**

Though the fig tree may not blossom,  
Nor fruit be on the vines;  
Though the labor of the olive may fail,  
And the fields yield no food;  
Though the flock may be cut off from the fold,  
And there be no herd in the stalls—

18 Yet I will rejoice in the Lord,  
I will joy in the God of my salvation.

19 The Lord God is my strength;  
He will make my feet like deer's feet,  
And He will make me walk on my high hills.

## *How Can We Choose Joy?*

1. **Trust God Joyfully- Romans 15:13**

13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

2. **Be Present with God Daily- Romans 14:17**

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

3. **Pray Faithfully- Romans 12:12**

12 rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer;