

THE SUMMER OF JOY 08

RIGHT NOW JOY

I NEED SOME _____ JOY BECAUSE RIGHT NOW JOY IS HARD TO FIND.

LIFE WILL NEVER BE _____. IF YOU THINK IT HAS TO BE PERFECT TO FIND JOY THEN YOU WILL NEVER KNOW JOY.

IF YOU WANT JOY THEN YOU HAVE TO FIND IT _____. RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE.

Philippians 3:1, Finally brethren rejoice in the Lord.

Philippians 2:18 (NLT)

18Yes, you should rejoice, and I will share your joy.

I. I NEED TO FALL IN LOVE WITH _____

Philippians 3:17 (NASB95)

¹⁷Brethren, join in following my example, and observe those who walk according to the pattern you have in us.

PAUL IS SAYING, “EMBRACE THE SAME _____ AND VALUES YOU SEE IN ME.”

He said, “That I may know him and the power of his resurrection...”

THIS WORLD WILL ALWAYS _____ YOU. YOU HAVE TO LOVE JESUS MORE THAN THIS WORLD.

Philippians 3:18–19 (NASB95)

¹⁸For many walk, of whom I often told you, and now tell you even weeping, that they are enemies of the cross of Christ,

¹⁹whose end is destruction, whose god is their appetite, and whose glory is in their shame, who set their minds on earthly things.

BEING _____ THE WORLD AND STILL NOT BEING _____ THE WORLD IS LIKE WALKING A TIGHTROPE.

Philippians 3:20–21 (NASB95)

²⁰For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;

²¹who will transform the body of our humble state into conformity with the body of His glory, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself.

EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS PLANET IS _____. BUT THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS _____.

Philippians 4:1 (NASB95)

Therefore, my beloved brethren whom I long to see, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord, my beloved.

II. I HAVE TO MAKE _____ A PRIORITY

JOY HATES CHAOS AND CONFLICT, BUT IT LOVES _____.

1 Peter 3:10–11 (NLT)

¹⁰For the Scriptures say, "If you want to enjoy life and see many happy days, keep your tongue from speaking evil and your lips from telling lies.

¹¹Turn away from evil and do good. Search for peace, and work to maintain it.

Romans 14:19 (NASB95)

So then we pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.

STOP WORKING TO _____ THINGS UP AND WORK TO _____ THINGS DOWN.

Philippians 4:2 (NASB95)

2I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to live in harmony in the Lord.

Philippians 4:3 (NASB95)

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.

Ephesians 4:26–27 (NASB95)

*26BE ANGRY, AND yet DO NOT SIN; do not let the sun go down on your anger,
27and do not give the devil an opportunity.*

1. OWN YOUR _____

“Be angry.”

2. CONTROL YOUR _____

Be angry but don't sin...

3. EXPRESS YOUR _____

4. _____ THE CONFLICT

Don't let the sun go down on your anger.

Philippians 4:4–5 (NASB95)

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

⁵Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near.

III. I HAVE TO BATTLE MY _____

Philippians 4:6–7 (NASB95)

⁶Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

SOMETIMES ANXIETY CAN BECOME SO ACUTE THAT YOU NEED
_____ AND OR _____ TO HELP.

START WITH _____

in everything by prayer and supplication

ADD _____

“With thanksgiving.”

GOD’S _____ IS LIKE A SEAM OF GOLD RUNNING THROUGH YOUR LIFE. GRATITUDE HELPS MINE THE GOLD.

Philippians 4:7 (NASB95)

⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

IV. I HAVE TO _____ WHAT I LET INTO MY HEAD

Ralph Waldo Emerson “A man is what he thinks about all day long.”

Philippians 4:8–9 (NASB95)

⁸Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things.

WHEN YOU HAVE _____ THINGS IN YOU THEN THOSE GOOD THINGS CHANGE HOW YOU RESPOND TO ALL THE _____ THINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING AROUND YOU.

Philippians 4:8–9 (NASB95)

⁹The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.