



the **lake** church

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Welcome Our Guest Teaching Pastor,  
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**How to Positively Handle the Negativity**  
**# 7**



- **A Fickle Heart Needs a Greater Hope**

Nehemiah 8:10

***Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."***

John 16:19-24

***Jesus saw that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, "Are you asking one another what I meant when I said, 'In a little while you will see me no more, and***

***then after a little while you will see me'? Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy. A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy. In that day you will no longer ask me anything. Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.***

- **Joy Is Not Without Pain**
- **Joy Is Greater Than Anything**

Hebrews 12:1-30

***Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.***

***For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.***

***Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.***

Acts 16:22-25

***The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.***

***About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them.***