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Joy to the World

Psalm 98:4, 6: ⁴ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! ... ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!



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Galatians 5:22–23

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



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1 Thessalonians 5:16–18: ¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray without ceasing, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.



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John 11:35: Jesus wept.



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Isaiah 42:1: Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights...



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John 3:35: "The Father loves the Son."

John 5:20: "The Father loves the Son."

John 10:17: "The Father loves me."



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Matthew 3:17: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."



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John 4:34: "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work."



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Psalm 31:10: My life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away.



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John 15:9–11: ⁹ “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.”



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Matthew 6:33: “But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”



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Hebrews 12:2: Jesus... who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.



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John 13:3–5: ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, ⁴ rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. ⁵ Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him.



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4. Jesus saw meaning in his suffering.

John 12:23–32: ²³ And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit... ²⁷ Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name” ... ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.”



John 16:22–24: ²² So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. ²³ In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴ Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.



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