

## “Joyful Prayer”

*Philippians 1:4*

*2 Corinthians 11:23-30*

**We are not victorious because we win the victory; the victory has been won by Jesus Christ.**

Our victory which is living in His victory because of His cross begins in our minds.

Faith is first experienced passively by receiving the Word or mind of Christ and only then can we actively live by faith in His victory.

Paul's contentment is in

Jesus Christ and it's important that we also learn to find our contentment in Him, whatever our circumstances may be.

Isn't it amazing that sinful fallen creatures like us, created by a holy perfect God can at anytime and anywhere access His throne of grace by simply saying Father?

But for Paul, *joy* was a victorious deep relaxed peaceful state of mind that saw the world with all of its ups and downs, in calmness, composure and even temper.

We can have what Paul had;

a true joy that will never come from getting our own way and being angry with God if we don't.

When you come right down to it, to pray for someone is a blessing for us now and at the Judgment Seat of Christ.

**Our main objective is maximum glorification of God.**

Our personal destiny has to do with our future as we persist in using God's spiritual skills to execute the spiritual life and begin to realize its dynamics.

**As we walk through the gate of hope on His agenda, it leads to sharing the happiness of God.**

Exultation is living in the spiritual victories that will come to you with true biblical elation as a response to God's truth.

*\*\*\*The emotion is not the joy but the response to it.*

Joy is sharing the happiness of God and the thrilling response of lively excitement related to the victory of possessing an eternal and temporal relationship with God.

**We are commanded to face providential suffering, momentum testing or suffering for blessing with joy; a system of thought based on biblical self-confidence and integrity.**

Shame is a normal function of understanding failure and regret of not using our time efficiently.

**Peace is prosperity from harmony with God, leading to tranquillity of soul.**

Joy and peace must be related to thinking because our fellowship is with invisible God.

**The maximum problem solving device for our Lord during the First Advent was sharing the happiness of God, which is a system of thinking also given to us during the Church Age. When you first begin to understand some basic doctrines, there's victory and new life in your soul and this spiritual animation is the beginning of loving God!**

**The point of staying in this life after salvation is to come to love God and we really do not even start living until we love Him.**

**Pleasure is a state of feeling pleased, a satisfaction derived from what is to someone's liking, a vain enjoyment which is not related to biblical joy.**

**Joy is inner soul thinking that does not depend on circumstances, environment or pleasure.**

**If I choose to change my mind, God will change my heart.**