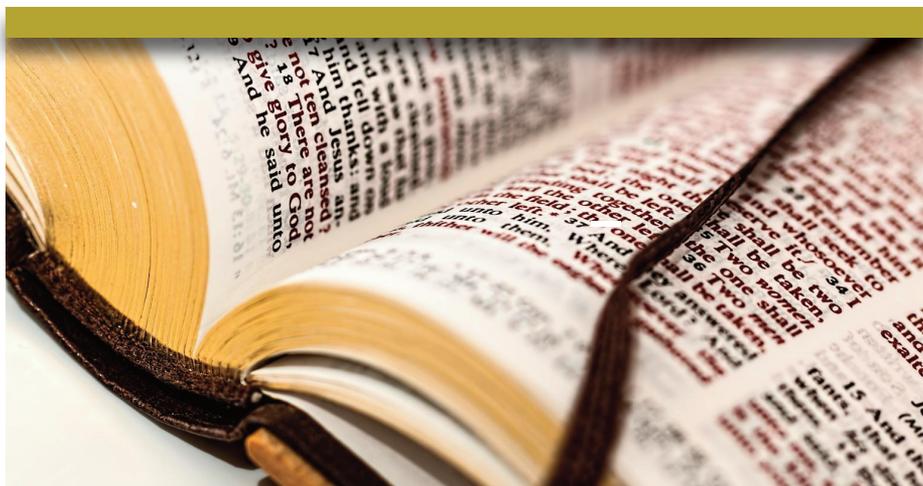


COMFORT

Bible Verses
to Lift our Hearts



Praise to God for a Living Hope

1 Peter 1:3-9

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

A Light for my Path

Psalm 119 is a monument to the word of God. It is filled with his benefits. 119:28 says “My soul is weary with sorrow; strengthen me according to your word.” The word of God can keep us from sin says v.11. There are wonderful things in your law says v.18. It is eternal says v.89, and as verse 105 says, “Your word is a lamp to my feet and light for my path.” May these verses help strengthen you in your time of need.

Strength

Psalm 46:1-3 God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

Proverbs 18:10 The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run into it and are safe.

Exodus 15:2 The Lord is my strength and my song; he has given me victory. This is my God, and I will praise him—my father’s God, and I will exalt him!

Psalm 9:9 The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

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1 Chronicles 16:11 Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!

Psalms 32:7-8 You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.

Isaiah 30:15 In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength.

“The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong.”
— Mahatma Gandhi

Joshua 1:9 Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

Isaiah 12:2 Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord, is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

2 Timothy 1:7 For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline.

“Courage isn't having the strength to go on - it is going on when you don't have strength.”
— Napoleon Bonaparte

Isaiah 41:10 Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.

Isaiah 40:29 He gives power to the weak and strength to the powerless.

2 Thessalonians 3:3 But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen and protect you from the evil one.

1 Chronicles 16:11 Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his face continually.

Peace

Isaiah 26:3-4 Those of steadfast mind you keep in peace—because they trust in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for in the Lord God you have an everlasting rock.

"Peace begins with a smile.."
— Mother Teresa

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

Colossians 3:15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,

since as members of one body you were called to peace.
And be thankful.

Psalms 119:165 Great peace have those who love your law,
and nothing can make them stumble.

Isaiah 55:12 You will go out in joy and be led forth in
peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before
you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

2 Thessalonians 3:16 Now may the Lord of peace himself
give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be
with all of you.

Luke 2:14 Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on
earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.

Romans 5:1 Therefore, since we have been justified
through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord
Jesus Christ.

John 16:33 I have told you these things, so that in me you
may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But
take heart! I have overcome the world.

God Cares

1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares
for you.

Psalms 68:19 Praise the Lord; praise God our Savior. For
each day he carries us in his arms.

Psalms 147:3,11 He heals the brokenhearted and binds up
their wounds. The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear
him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Isaiah 40:11 He will feed his flock like a shepherd. He will
carry the lambs in his arms, holding them close to his heart.

Zephaniah 3:17 The Lord your God is in your midst, a
mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with
gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over
you with loud singing.

**"God can't give
us peace and
happiness
apart from Him-
self because
there is no such
thing."
— C.S. Lewis**

**"Peace cannot
be kept by force;
it can only be
achieved by un-
derstanding."
— Albert
Einstein**

**"Abundance
isn't God's pro-
vision for me to
live in luxury.
It's his provi-
sion for me to
help others
live."
— Randy Alcorn**

"God's work done in God's way will never lack God's provision."

— James Hudson Taylor

"The only way you're going to reach places you've never gone is if you trust God's direction to do things you've never done."

— Germany Kent

"By recalling God's past provision, we can reassure ourselves that what He has done in the past, He will do again in the future."

— Suzanne Elizabeth Anderson

Psalm 145:18-19 The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Psalm 34:17 When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.

Psalm 34:10b Those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Philippians 4:19 But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches and glory by Christ Jesus

Matthew 10:29-31 "Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your Father. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."

John 3:16-17 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

Romans 8:38,39 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Psalm 139:14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful.

Deuteronomy 31:7-8 The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.

John 10:27-30 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand."

Psalm 23:1-4,6 The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me ... Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Proverbs 3:24 When you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.

Lamentations 3:25 The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

Psalm 40:1-3 I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.

Anxiety

Luke 12:25-26 Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?

1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

Philippians 4:6-7 Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 6:25-27 Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor

“God owns everything and gives us all things to enjoy. He is a good shepherd to us, his little flock. Trust him, not stuff. Move from the fear of scarcity to the comfort of provision. Less hoarding, more sharing. “Do good . . . be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share.”
— Max Lucado

"Worry does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow, it empties today of its strength."
— Corrie ten Boom

“If things start happening, don't worry, don't stew, just go right along and you'll start happening too.”
– Dr. Seuss

“Anxiety can be crippling, but we can replace it with thankful prayers and thoughts, and look to Christ for peace. A hundredload of worry will not pay an ounce of debt.”
– George Herbert

“Worry, like a rocking chair, will give you something to do, but it won't get you anywhere.”
– Vance Havner

about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?

Matthew 6:33,34 Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Matthew 11:28-30 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Proverbs 12:25 Anxiety in a man's heart weighs him down, but a good word makes him glad.

Hebrews 12:1-2 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.

Psalms 46:10 Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

Psalms 121:1-2 I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Contentment

Matthew 6:9-11 This, then, is how you should pray: ‘Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom

come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Philippians 4:11-13 Not that I speak from want, for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

1 Timothy 6:6-12 But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

2 Cor. 12:9-10 And He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness" ...Therefore I am well content with weaknesses, with insults, with distresses, with persecutions, with difficulties, for Christ's sake; for when I am weak, then I am strong.

Romans 8:28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Job 36:11 If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment.

Psalms 34:10b Those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Proverbs 30: 7-9 Two things I ask of you, O Lord; do not refuse me before I die: Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. Otherwise, I may have too much and dis-

"No one can pray and worry at the same time."

- Max Lucado

"If you look for perfection, you'll never be content."

— Leo Tolstoy

"Many people lose the small joys in the hope for the big happiness."

— Pearl S. Buck

"I have learned that to be with those I like is enough."

— Walt Whitman

own you and say, 'Who is the Lord?' Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God.

Proverbs 14:30 A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones.

"The only way out of the labyrinth of suffering is to forgive."

— John Green

Struggles/Suffering

1 Corinthians 10:13 No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

"Pain is inevitable. Suffering is optional."

— Haruki

Murakami

1 Peter 5: 10 And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.

Hebrews 4:16 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

"Pain and suffering are always inevitable for a large intelligence and a deep heart. The really great men must, I think, have great sadness on earth."— Fyodor Dostoyevsky

James 1:2-4 Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Romans 8:17-18 Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

Hebrews 12:7 Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father?

James 1:12 Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial be-

cause, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.

Isaiah 58:10 If you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.

Fear

Psalms 27:1 The Lord is my light and my salvation— whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalms 56:3 When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

Isaiah 41:13 For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

John 14:1 Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.

Mark 5:36 Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, “Don't be afraid; just believe.”

Hebrews 13:6 So we say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?”

Psalms 112:7 A righteous man will be remembered forever. He will have no fear of bad news; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord. His heart is secure, he will have no fear.

Isaiah 43:1-3 Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

Psalms 27: 1-3 The Lord is my light and my salvation whom

“The fear of death follows from the fear of life. A man who lives fully is prepared to die at any time.”

— Mark Twain

“Do one thing every day that scares you.”

— Eleanor Roosevelt

“There is only one thing that makes a dream impossible to achieve: the fear of failure.”

— Paulo Coelho

“Scared is what you're feeling. Brave is what you're doing.”
— Emma Donoghue

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that.”
— Martin Luther King Jr.

“Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, today is a gift of God, which is why we call it the present.”
— Bil Keane

“Every thing that is done in the world is done by hope.”
— Martin Luther

shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall. Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then I will be confident.

Psalm 112: 1, 7-8 Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord. They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord. Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid.

Hope

Isaiah 43:18,19 “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Psalm 39:7 And now, O Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in you.

1 Timothy 6:17 As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy.

Psalm 71:5 For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

Mark 9:23 And Jesus said to him, “If you can!” All things are possible for one who believes.”

Psalm 43:5 Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.

Psalm 119:114 You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in your word.

Psalm 33:18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,

Psalm 9:18 For the needy shall not always be forgotten, and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.

Psalm 146:5 Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God,

1 Peter 1:13 Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Romans 15:4 For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

1 Peter 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead

Lamentations 3:24 “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.”

1 Thessalonians 5:8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.

Death

1 Corinthians 15:55-57 “Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?” The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

“Worry is a cycle of inefficient thoughts whirling around a center of fear.” – Corrie Ten Boom

“I'm not afraid of death; I just don't want to be there when it happens.”
– Woody Allen

“The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.”

— J.K. Rowling

Revelation 14:13 Then I heard a voice from heaven say, “Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” “Yes,” says the Spirit, “they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them.”

Luke 20:35-38 But those who are considered worthy of taking part in the age to come and in the resurrection from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage, and they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God’s children, since they are children of the resurrection. But in the account of the burning bush, even Moses showed that the dead rise, for he calls the Lord ‘the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.”

Isaiah 57:1-2 Good people pass away; the godly often die before their time. But no one seems to care or wonder why. No one seems to understand that God is protecting them from the evil to come. For those who follow godly paths will rest in peace when they die.

Hebrews 13:14 We do not have an enduring city here; instead, we seek the one to come

Matthew 5:4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14 Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

John 11:25-26 Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

“Without Christ there is no hope.” -Charles Spurgeon

2 Corinthians 4:17-18 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

2 Corinthians 5:8 We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

John 14:1-2 Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?

Revelation 21:4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.

1 John 3:2 Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

Romans 14:8 If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

1 Thessalonians 4:17-18 After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Psalms 48:14 For this God is our God for ever and ever; he will be our guide even to the end.

**“Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.”
– Corrie Ten Boom**

Salvation

1 John 5:13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may *know* that you have eternal life.

John 6:28,29 Then they asked him, “What must we do to do the works God requires?” Jesus answered, “The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.”

Ephesians 2:8,9 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith- and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast.

Romans 10:9 If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Galatians 2:16 Know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. Se we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified.

Acts 16:30,31 He then brought them out and asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved - you and your household.”

1 Timothy 6:12 Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

Titus 3:4-7 He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

Revelations 3:20 Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

Luke 15:10 In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

“To be a Christian means to forgive the inexcusable because God has forgiven the inexcusable in you.”
— C.S. Lewis

Forgiveness

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Ephesians 4:31,32 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each

other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Matthew 6:14,15 For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

Luke 17:3,4 So watch yourselves. If your brother or sister sins against you, rebuke them; and if they repent, forgive them. Even if they sin against you seven times in a day and seven times come back to you saying “I repent,” you must forgive them.

Isaiah 43:25,26 I, even I, am he who blots out your transgressions, for my own sake, and remembers your sins no more.

Acts 3:19 Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

Psalms 103:12 As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Matthew 26:28 This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Joy

Psalms 51:12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Psalms 94:18,19 When I said, “My foot is slipping,” your unfailing love, Lord, supported me. When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought me joy.

1 Peter 1:8,9 Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Luke 15:7 I tell you that in the same way there will be more

rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

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.”

1 Thessalonians 5:16–18 Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.

Romans 12:12 Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Phillippians 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

Habakkuk 3:17,18 Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Savior.

John 15:11 I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

Ecclesiastes 3:12,13 I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God.

Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Isaiah 61:3 To all who mourn in Israel, he will give a crown of beauty for ashes, a joyous blessing instead of mourning, festive praise instead of despair. In their righteousness, they will be like great oaks that the Lord has planted for his own glory.

Psalms 118:24 This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.