



**True joy ought to characterize
every believer.**

***Living for Christ with
Gladness & Joy***

Psalm 16, et al.

Isaiah 51:11

“Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.”

Act 13:52

**“And the disciples were filled with
joy, and with the Holy Ghost.”**

Jeremiah 32:41

“Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.”

Nehemiah 8:10

“Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, ... for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”

1 Peter 1:8

“Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory.”

James 1:2-4

“My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.”

2 Corinthians 7:4b

**“... I am filled with comfort,
I am exceeding joyful in all
our tribulation.”**

Psalm 30:5b

**“... weeping may endure for a night,
but joy cometh in the morning.”**

**In order to experience real joy, we
need a proper perspective about ...**

A. Trials

B. Opposition

C. Living for Jesus

1 Timothy 6:17

“Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy.”

Matthew 13:44

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.”

- 1. God is the source and the Lord Jesus is the basis for true joy.**
- 2. True joy grows out of a proper perspective on life.**
- 3. True joy expresses itself.**