

THE JOY OF THE LORD
I Thessalonians 5:16-18
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Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus. I Thessalonians 5:16-18

1. Rejoice _____.

 - Paul's _____ admonition.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Philipians 4:4

- Joy is _____, happiness _____.

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. John 10:28

- Rejoice in _____ and in _____.

Jesus wept. John 11:35

As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything. 2 Corinthians 6:10

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing. James 1:2-4

2. Pray without _____

- A _____ with God

But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. Matthew 6:6

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3. Give thanks in _____ things.

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And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:26

4. For this is _____ for you in Christ Jesus.

Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him. John 14:21

These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. John 15:11