Title: Serious about Joy

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Nehemiah 8:10 Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. Do not sorrow, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Psalm 118:24 This is the day the LORD has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Zephaniah 3:17 The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; <u>He will rejoice over you with gladness</u>, He will quiet you with His love, <u>He will rejoice over you with singing</u>."

Romans 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

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

Galatians 5: 16 - 17, 22 ¹⁶ So I advise you to live according to your new life in the Holy Spirit. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. ¹⁷ The old nature loves to do evil, which is opposite from what the Holy Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are opposite from what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, and your choices are never free from this conflict. ²² But when the Holy Spirit controls our lives, he will produce this kind of fruit is us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Psalms 51:12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit

Psalms 16:11 You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Philippians 4:4, 7 ⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Psalms 30:5 For His anger is but for a moment, His favour is for life; Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

