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## Hebrews 12

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# THE LAST WHILE 20.1

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

- People move when they come into contact with that which they worship.
- The thing you love the most, you will worship.
  - What moves you?



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• **MOVE** = joy, experience life, show excitement.

 Number 6:24 The Lord bless you and keep you; 25 the
 Lord make his face shine on
 you and be gracious to you;
 26 the Lord turn His face
 toward you and give you
 peace."' The Lord wants to give you true joy.

- ✓ We need experiences with our Father.
- Your identity is secure in your Father.

"Brain science reveals that this joy sensation is crucial for emotional and relational development. Our brain looks specifically to the face of another person to find joy, and this fills up our emotional gas tank. The face is key." The Other Half of Church





The most common Hebrew term for "**presence**" is panim [yIn'P], which is also translated "**face**", implying a close and personal encounter with the Lord.

The Bible reveals that the total human personality is made up of three distinct areas:

# Spirit — Soul — Body.

**Paul states this in 1 Thessalonians 5:23, where he says this:** "Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your **spirit and soul and body** be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." There is a different type of <u>satisfaction</u> for each area of our personality.

### For the body =

the type of satisfaction that we look for we would call pleasure.

### In the soul =

the type of satisfaction that we look for we could call happiness.

### But in the spirit =

the type of satisfaction that we would call **JOY**.

# Happiness

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- Joy is rooted in something that **remains constant**, regardless of situations, circumstances, finances, or even the weather.
- There's only one source of joy and that is <u>God Himself</u>; and because <u>God never changes</u>, joy never needs to change either.
- Now, if we are living only in the realm of the body and the soul, we can know pleasure and can know happiness, but we cannot know joy. For joy has only one source and that's God. Joy comes from a direct, personal, continuing relationship with God.

# JOY

### Live like you have already won.



JOY

You could hardly be in a worse situation than these two men.

#### Habakkuk 3:17-18

<sup>17</sup> Though the fig tree may not blossom, Nor fruit be on the vines;

- Though the labor of the olive may fail,
- And the fields yield no food;
- Though the flock may be cut off from the fold,
- And there be no herd in the stalls-
- <sup>18</sup> Yet I will rejoice in the LORD,
- I will joy in the God of my salvation.

Psalm 43:4

<sup>4</sup> Then I will go to the altar of God, **To God my exceeding joy**;
And on the harp I will praise You,
O God, my God.

### Everything has gone wrong, but I can still go to the Lord.

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### Hebrews 12

# 2 Jesus who for the JOY that was set before Him endured the cross.

JOY = our relationship with the Father.

2 Jesus who for, "our relationship with the Father", that was set before Him endured the cross.

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### HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FATHER LEAD HIM TO THE CROSS.

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### So, we can also enter into this JOY!

### WE CAN ALSO, say the same!!

# ..... who for the JOY that was set before him/her endured in obedience.

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..... who for, "their relationship with the Father", that was set before him/her endured in obedience.

There are 16,000 people groups in the world



Go, send or disobey

**JOHN PIPER** 

'The harvest field is white, and many souls are sinking into eternal night. The harvest bells are ringing'

### 'The Gospel is only good news if it gets there in time'

CARL F.H. HENRY

Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter PROVERBS 24:11

Over 6,000 are considered unreached 70% of Asians have never heard of Jesus Christ

# Edward Kimball

Never heard of him before?



**Edward Kimball** 



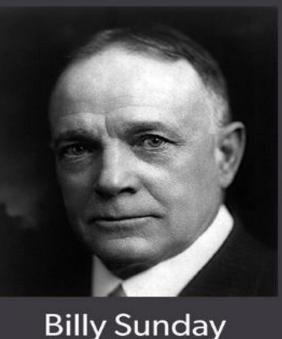
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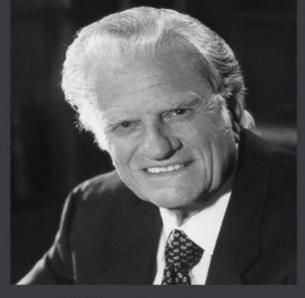


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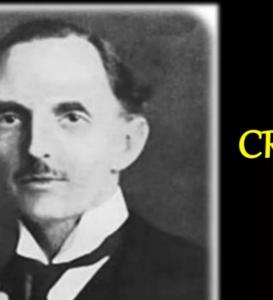
**Billy Graham** 

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### D.L. Moody

## WILLIAM BOOTH

The man of faith who dared to trust God for "great and mighty things."





**CRICKETER FOR CHRIST** C.T. Studd

(1860 – 1931)

George Muller (1805-1898)







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