

THE JOY OF BEING A CHRISTIAN

ACTS 16:25-34

MUCH REJOICING IN THE N.T.

**Acts 5 Peter and John
Acts 8 Ethiopian eunuch
Text Paul and Silas
Philippian jailer
Phil. 4:4**

WHY SO MUCH JOY?

KNOW THEY ARE SAVED

I 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 goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

HOW CAN I KNOW?

ROMANS 1:16

ROMANS 6:17

But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted.

ROMANS 6:22

But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life.

ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

2 TIMOTHY 1:12

That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet I am not ashamed, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day.

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.

BRETHREN THERE FOR YOU

CHRISTIANS ARE NOT ALONE

Hurting- pray for you and help
Rejoicing – share your joy

ROMANS 12:15

Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

GREAT JOY IN HELPING OTHERS

PEACE OF GOD

PHILIPPIANS 4:6,7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

GOD IS IN CONTROL
