

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,
peace, patience, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.
Against such things there is no law.



What do you enjoy doing most in life right now, what activity brings you the purest natural joy?

What's the difference between **natural joy**, and **supernatural joy**?



What is God's source of joy? What brings Him the greatest amount of satisfaction and delight?

Why does it matter, can we ever hope to have that kind of joy?



God manifests Himself in us through the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit, we are a new creation (2 Cor. 5:17). The Holy Spirit is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until our eternal redemption (Eph. 1:14).

The supernatural fruit of that relationship should be reflected in us!



Supernatural joy is one of the fruit of the Spirit; it is <u>God's joy manifested</u> in us and through us to the world.

How do we cultivate, grow, harvest and share **Supernatural Joy**?



"Chara" (kárā) in Greek means joy, rejoicing, gladness – enjoyment, bliss.

In many ways, it means to celebrate!

What does God have to celebrate?



I tell you, in the same way,

there is 104 in the presence

of God's angels over one sinner

who repents.

**LUKE 15:10** 



### Joy is the result of our salvation!

#### Luke 10:17-20

17The Seventy <u>returned with joy</u>, saying, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in Your name." 18He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a lightning flash. 19Look, I have given you the authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy; nothing will ever harm you. 20However, don't rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but <u>rejoice that your</u> names are written in heaven."

- Jesus wrote the names of the redeemed in the book of life before the foundation of the world (Rev 17:8), no one can remove them.
- Salvation is God's <u>permanent</u>, gift to us (Eph 2:8).
- The Greek words for joy (*chara*) and grace (*charis*) come from the same root word (*chairo*).
- Joy is intertwined with grace!

You reveal the path of life to me;

in your presence is abundant

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at your right hand are eternal

pleasures.

**PSALM 16:11** 



# Joy results from discovering Christ's presence, purpose and power in our lives!

### **Matthew 13:44**

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure, buried in a field, that a man found and reburied. Then in his joy he goes and sells everything he has and buys that field.

- Discovering Christ's presence, purpose and power unlocks great joy in our lives.
- As the Psalmist said, in His presence is abundant joy.
- Be bold and courageous because He has promised to never leave us nor forsake us (Deut. 31:6, Heb.1:5).
- Rejoice and be glad, Jesus is always there!

May the God of hope fill you with all

and peace as you trust in him, so that

you may overflow with hope by the

power of the Holy Spirit.

**ROMANS 15:13** 



### Joy results from abiding in Christ!

#### John 15:8-11

<sup>8</sup>My Father is glorified by this: that you produce much fruit and prove to be My disciples.

<sup>9</sup>"As the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you. Remain in My love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep My commands you will remain in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commands and remain in His love. <sup>11</sup>"I have spoken these things to you so that My joy may be in you and your joy may be complete.

- Jesus had great joy in living a fruitful life that pleased the Father (Heb. 12:2).
- He wants us to have abundant lives too, not a joyless existence (John 10:10).
- The key to living a life filled with supernatural joy is abiding in Christ and keeping his commands.
- True joy, supernatural joy, flows freely from the vine!

But let all who take refuge in you

rejoice; let them shout for 1

forever. May you shelter them, and

may those who love your name

boast about you.

**PSALM 5:11** 



# Joy results from trusting God and overcoming trials and tribulations

#### Psalm 71:20-23

<sup>20</sup>You caused me to experience many troubles and misfortunes, but You will revive me again. You will bring me up again, even from the depths of the earth. <sup>21</sup>You will increase my honor and comfort me once again. <sup>22</sup>Therefore, with a lute I will praise You for Your faithfulness, my God; I will sing to You with a harp, Holy One of Israel. <sup>23</sup>My lips will shout for joy when I sing praise to You, because You have redeemed me.

### How joyful it is when God delivers us from troubles and misfortunes!

The righteous are glad; they rejoice

before God and celebrate with 1

Sing to God! Sing praises to his name.

Exalt him who rides on the clouds — his

name is the Lord — and celebrate

before him.

**PSALM 68:3-4** 



## Joy results from fellowship with other believers

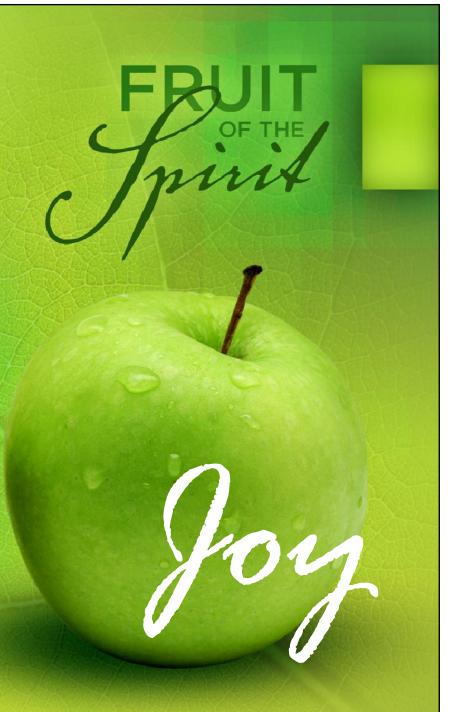
#### **Hebrews 10:24-25**

<sup>24</sup>And let us <u>be concerned</u>
<u>about one another in order</u>
<u>to promote love and good</u>
<u>works</u>, <sup>25</sup>not staying away
from our meetings, as
some habitually do, but
<u>encouraging each other</u>,
and all the more as you see
the day drawing near.

- Joy flows from the Vine to His church and fellowship with other believers spreads that joy.
- Enjoy the body of Christ then praise God for the privilege of fellowship.
- Be joyful, it attracts people, and it opens the door to share our faith.



- 2. Joy results from discovering Christ's presence, purpose and power in our lives!
- 3. Joy results from abiding in Christ!
- 4. Joy results from trusting God and overcoming trials and tribulations!
- 5. Joy results from fellowship with other believers!



### FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Cultivating and Sharing Supernatural Fruit

- Cultivating & sharing Joy:
  - This is the day the Lord has made, rejoice and be glad in it! You name is written in heaven!
  - Joy is contagious be bold and courageous!
  - As Peter said, always be prepared to give a defense for the hope that is within you!

