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Deuteronomy 30:19-20

19 <u>I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you</u>, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live; 20 that you may love the LORD your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He is your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them."

Deuteronomy 30:19-20 (NLT)

19 "Today I have given you the choice between life and death, between blessings and curses. Now I call on heaven and earth to witness the choice you make. Oh, that you would choose life, so that you and your descendants might live! 20 You can make this choice by loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and committing yourself firmly to him. This is the key to your life. And if you love and obey the Lord, you will live long in the land the Lord swore to give your ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob."

Deuteronomy 30:19-20 (TLB)

19 "I call heaven and earth to witness against you that today I have set before you life or death, blessing or curse. Oh, that you would choose life; that you and your children might live! 20 Choose to love the Lord your God and to obey him and to cling to him, for he is your life and the length of your days. You will then be able to live safely in the land the Lord promised your ancestors, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob."

Philippians 4:4

4 Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!

Philippians 4:4 (AMPC)

4 Rejoice in the Lord always [delight, gladden yourselves in Him]; again I say, Rejoice!

Psalms 118:22-24

22 The stone which the builders rejected

Has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This was the LORD's doing:

It is marvelous in our eyes.

24 This is the day the LORD has made;

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalms 118:24 (NIV)

24 The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

Psalms 118:24 (CEV)

24 This day belongs to the Lord! Let's celebrate and be glad today.

Nehemiah 8:10

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."

Nehemiah 8:10 (NLT)

10 Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Nehemiah 8:10 (AMPC)

10 And be not grieved and depressed, for the joy of the Lord is your strength and stronghold.

Proverbs 17:22

22 A merry heart does good, like medicine, But a broken spirit dries the bones.

Proverbs 17:22 (NLT)

22 A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a broken spirit saps a person's strength.

Peter 1:6-9

6 <u>In this you greatly rejoice</u>, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, 7 that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, 8 whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, 9 receiving the end of your faith -- the salvation of your souls.

Psalms 28:6-8
6 Blessed be the LORD,
Because He has heard the voice of my supplications!
7 The LORD is my strength and my shield;
My heart trusted in Him, and I am helped;
Therefore my heart greatly rejoices,
And with my song I will praise Him.

Psalms 16:9-11

9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; My flesh also will rest in hope.
10 For You will not leave my soul in Sheol,
Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.
11 You will show me the path of life;
In Your presence is fullness of joy;
At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Isaiah 12:2-3
2 Behold, God is my salvation,
I will trust and not be afraid;
'For YAH, the LORD, is my strength and song;
He also has become my salvation.'"
3 Therefore with joy you will draw water
From the wells of salvation.

Romans 5:1-5

1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and <u>rejoice in hope of the glory of God</u>. 3 And not only that, <u>but we also glory in tribulations</u>, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

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