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JOY- IN A WORLD LIKE THIS?



Celebration of Joy Melani Pyke

If we're looking for joy in this absurd world, we're out of luck.

Anyone with eyes can see trouble waiting in the road ahead, tribulation dogging our steps.

Greed, lies, malice, suspicion fill the air with a smoke so thick, it's hard to breathe.

Even Billionaires are getting depressed.

Joy? Where is it?

From the beginning of time joy has had only one source:

God.

Find God---the true God---and you find joy!

Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy.

When a woman is in travail she has sorrow, because her hour has come; but when she is delivered of the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a child is born into the world.

So you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

Hitherto you have asked nothing in my name; ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

John 16:20-22 &24

The source of joy is God.

And the way to find God is to pray.

No matter how shaky our faith.

No matter how skeptical our hearts.

Even if we haven't a clue how to pray.

Just start to pray.

And keep at it.

Hitherto you have asked nothing in my name; ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

No matter how bad things are out there, the road to God's Kingdom is alive with joy!

“In the world you will have tribulation.

But be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

John 16:33



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Prayer- Lord, help us even in the midst of sorrow, disappointment, and tribulation to find joy. Help us to keep praying until we find your presence beside us, your beautiful, comforting presence. Help us to keep praying until we are lifted up from our sorrow and despair, until we know with everything within us that you have overcome the world. Until we know that we can trust you. Until we are ready to open our hearts to the fullness of joy you offer us

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