

CALVARY CHAPEL OLD BRIDGE WOMEN'S MINISTRY
FALL 2017 BIBLE STUDY

A TOPICAL STUDY OF THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

Lesson 15

SECTION : TREASURES IN PROVERBS

TOPIC: Joy and Sorrow

INTRODUCTION

In both the Old and New Testaments, joy is consistently the mark of the believer and the church. Joy is a quality, not simply an emotion. It is grounded upon God Himself. Although there is no Old Testament expression for sorrow, the New Testament word generally means pain, suffering, and inner anguish. Although sorrow is part of our human existence, it does not belong to God's order since it is the opposite of peace. Joy should characterize our life on earth no matter what the circumstances are that surround us.

SCRIPTURE SEARCH

This part of your homework highlights the scriptures found in Proverbs on this topic. Look up and comment on some or all of those listed below.

- Proverbs 3:13 _____
- Proverbs 10:28 _____
- Proverbs 12:20 _____
- Proverbs 12:25 _____
- Proverbs 13:9 _____
- Proverbs 13:12 _____
- Proverbs 14:10 _____
- Proverbs 14:21 _____
- Proverbs 15:13 _____
- Proverbs 15:15 _____
- Proverbs 15:21 _____
- Proverbs 17:21,23 _____
- Proverbs 24:17-18 _____
- Proverbs 27:9 _____
- Proverbs 31:25 _____

SCRIPTURE RESEARCH

This part of your homework gives additional Biblical references for this topic. Look up and comment on *at least* one verse in each topic:

Christ's Joy

- Luke 10:21 _____
- John 15:11 _____
- John 17:13 _____
- Hebrews 12:2 _____

Christ's Sorrow

- Isaiah 53:3 _____
- Matthew 27:36-39 _____
- Luke 19:41 _____
- John 11:33-35 _____

Believer's Joy

- Nehemiah 8:10 _____
- Psalms 16:11 _____
- Psalms 30:5 _____
- Psalms 132:16 _____
- Isaiah 12:3 _____
- Isaiah 35:10 _____
- Isaiah 61:10 _____
- Jeremiah 15:16 _____
- John 16:24 _____
- Romans 14:17 _____

Earthly Joy

- Job 20:5 _____
- Ecclesiastes 2:10 _____
- James 4:9 _____

Promises of Comfort

- Psalms 126:5 _____
- Isaiah 61:3 _____
- Matthew 5:4 _____
- Romans 8:18 _____
- Revelation 7:17 _____

SCRIPTURE REACTION

Reflect on the elements of joy found in the verses you searched and researched.

- What brings us joy?
- What is the difference between joy and happiness?
- How did Christ's example of sorrow minister to you?
- How is joy important in our witness for Christ?

SCRIPTURAL ACTION

In what areas of your life do you desire to be more joyful? What can we do to have joy?
What has brought joy to you?

SCRIPTURE CHALLENGE

Look up the following occasions of joy. What brought them joy? What did you learn from them?

Ezra 3:10-13 -

Matthew 2:7-11

Matthew 28:1-8

Luke 24:50-53

Acts 15:3

SCRIPTURE MEMORY

"Do not sorrow, for the joy of the Lord is your strength"
Nehemiah 8:10

