



Paul's Letter to the Galatians

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Day 25 Galatians 5:22-23

Joy and Peace

Read Philippians 4:6-7. How are we to bring our requests to God? What will guard our hearts and minds? Is this of our own ability to cultivate this?

Read Philippians 4:10-13. What does Paul say he has learned in verse 11? What about in verse 12? How does this go along with verse 13?

Read Psalm 66:1-4. Where does the Psalmist find joy? What does the Psalmist see that gives him this joy?

Read Romans 14:17-19. What does Paul say the kingdom of God is a matter of? What should we pursue?

Read James 1:2-4. What does James say we should count as joy here? Why?

Read 1 Peter 3:8-9. What should our relationships with other believers look like? What have we been called to?

Read Romans 5:1-5. What do we have through our justification through faith? Why is this amazingly wonderful news? What else have we obtained? What should we be rejoicing in? Why? Why is this something to hope in?

Read Romans 12:16-18. How are we to live with one another? What should we give thought to do? If possible, what should be our goal?

As you spend time today with God, consider whether your joy is dependent on your circumstances or founded in the hope you have in Christ. If you are struggling to have joy despite your circumstances, give that to God and ask Him to remind you that, while it may not be well with your circumstances, it can still be well with your soul. If there is a relationship or an area of your life that is more characterized by strife than by peace, ask God for wisdom to discern what you need to do to live at peace, instead of in strife, with those around you. Above all, ask Him to remind you, over and over, of the joy that you truly do have in the hope you have in Christ and ask Him to help you to comprehend that hope more clearly every day, increasing your joy as you see more clearly the grace that God has shown to you.