

The Fruit of the Spirit: Joy

Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous;
it is fitting for the upright to praise him.
Praise the Lord with the harp;
make music to him on the
ten-stringed lyre.
Sing to him a new song;
play skillfully, and shout for joy.
For the word of the Lord is right and
true;
he is faithful in all he does.

When the righteous prosper, the city rejoices;
when the wicked perish, there are shouts of joy.

Though the fig tree does not bud
and there are no grapes on the vines,
though the olive crop fails
and the fields produce no food,
though there are no sheep in the pen
and no cattle in the stalls,
yet I will rejoice in the Lord,
I will be joyful in God my Savior.

May the God of hope fill you with all
joy and peace as you trust in him, so
that you may overflow with hope by the
power of the Holy Spirit.

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

Dear friends, do not be surprised at
the painful trial you are suffering, as
though something strange were
happening to you. But rejoice that you
participate in the sufferings of Christ, so
that you may be overjoyed when his
glory is revealed.

Psalm 33:1-4; Proverbs 11:10
Habakkuk 3:17-18; Romans 15:13
Philippians 4:4; 1 Peter 4:12