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**JOY**



**Angels:  
Bringing news  
of great joy**



**The Lord your God is with you, the  
Mighty Warrior  
who saves you.**

**He will take great delight in you, he  
will no longer rebuke you  
but will rejoice over you  
with singing.**

**Zephaniah 3:17**



**This day is holy to our  
Lord. Do not grieve, for  
the joy of the Lord is  
your strength.**

**Nehemiah 8:10**



**The Shepherds:  
In the middle  
of the night**



**The joy of God's people  
is not determined by  
our struggles...**

**but by our destiny.**



**Mary & Joseph:  
choosing joy**



**Joy does not simply  
happen to us. We have  
to choose joy and keep  
choosing it every day**

**Henri Nouwen**





**Now choose life  
So that you and your children may live  
and that you may love the Lord your  
God,  
listen to his voice and hold fast to  
him.  
For the Lord is your life...**

**Deuteronomy 30:19-20**



**Wise Men:  
Joy sustained  
them**



**Be joyful always**

**Pray continuously**

**Give thanks in all circumstances**

**For this is God's will for you in**

**Christ Jesus**

**1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**



May we open ourselves once  
more to the joy and wonder of  
Jesus



**May we open ourselves once  
more to the joy and wonder of  
Jesus**

**May we open ourselves up to  
experiencing joy in every season  
of our lives**



**May we open ourselves once  
more to the joy and wonder of  
Jesus**

**May we open ourselves up to  
experiencing joy in every season  
of our lives**

**May we choose joy**



**May we open ourselves once more to  
the joy and wonder of Jesus!**

**May we open ourselves up to  
experiencing joy in every season of  
our lives**

**May we choose joy**

**May we know the joy of the Lord as  
our strength**



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