

Faith, Hope, Love, Joy and Peace

"But now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love."

(1 Cor. 13:13)

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." (Gal. 5:22-23)

Faith is trust in God and reliance on His Word.

"And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him." (Heb. 11:6)

"Faith is the assurance that the thing which God has said in His Word is true, and that God will act according to what He has said in His Word...Faith is not a matter of impressions, nor of probabilities, nor of appearances." --George Muller

Hab. 2:4-live by faith

Gal. 2:20-crucified

Heb. 3:12, 13-encourage

Heb. 11:1, 6-faith

Heb. 13:7-imitate their faith

Acts 27:25-I believe God

2 Cor. 5:7-walk by faith

Gen. 15:6-Abraham

Rom. 4:1-5-Abraham

Rom. 10:17-faith from hearing

Mark 9:24-help my unbelief

James 2:22-faith was perfected

Hope is confident expectation of good.

"For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope." (Rom. 15:4)

"God is eager to reward us and does everything possible to help us lay up rewards. But if we are slothful and carnal, so that our service counts for nothing, we shall be saved, yet so as by fire. Let us determine by the grace of God not to be empty handed when we stand before the bema, the Judgment Seat of Christ." --Theodore H. Epp

Rom. 5:3-5-tribulation, hope

Rom. 15:4-Scriptures; have hope

Rom. 15:13-hope, Holy Spirit

Rom. 8:28, 29-all things for good

Rom. 8:18-glory

1 Thess. 4:13-18-meet the Lord

2 Cor. 5:9, 10-recompensed

1 Pet. 1:3-9-a living hope

Tit. 2:11-14-blessed hope

Col. 1:27-Christ, hope of glory

1 John 3:2, 3-be like Him; hope

Heb. 6:11, 12-assurance of hope

Heb. 6:19-anchor of the soul

1 Cor. 3:8-15-reward

Ps. 27:13-see the goodness of the Lord

Heb. 12:1-3-fixing our eyes on Jesus

Love is the genuine inner readiness and longing to secure the good of others.

"We love, because He first loved us." 1 Jn 4:19

"God's love is His tender affection for others and His deep concern for their good. It involves a strong emotional attachment and a commitment that manifests itself in giving.

"...with Him there are no nobodies. No one is insignificant. His affection flows out to every individual on the planet." --William MacDonald

1 Cor. 13-love

1 Jn. 4:10, 11-love one another

1 Jn. 4:19-first loved us

1 Jn. 2:15, 16-love of the Father

Rom. 5:8-demonstrates love

Matt. 22:37-39-greatest command

2 Cor. 5:14, 15-love controls us

Eph. 5:1, 2-walk in love

1 Thess. 4:9, 10-love...excel

1 Tim. 1:5-the goal

1 Jn. 4:7, 8-God is love

1 Jn. 3:16-18-love in deed

Jn. 14:21-keeps commandments, love

Rom. 8:38,39-nothing separate

Heb. 10:24, 25-stimulate to love

Phil. 2:3, 4-nothing from selfishness

Gal. 6:10-do good to all men

Gal. 5:13-serve one another

Joy is a sense of well-being and delight in good well-secured.

"If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments, and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full." (John 15:10-11)

"Joy is not happiness so much as gladness; it is the ecstasy of eternity in a soul that has made peace with God and is ready to do his will." --Sherwood Wirt

"Joy is the experience of well-being that springs from the deep down confidence that God is in perfect control of everything for my good and His glory." --John MacArthur

Rom. 14:17-righteousness, peace, joy

Jer. 15:16-words...joy

Jn. 16:24-prayer, joy

Phil. 4:4-rejoice always

Js. 1:2-4-consider it joy

Ps. 19:7-11-precepts, rejoicing heart

Ps. 90:14-sing for joy

Neh. 8:10-joy your strength

Jn. 15:10, 11-commandments, joy

Heb. 1:9-righteousness, gladness

1 Pet. 1:8-joy inexpressible

Ps. 32:10, 11-sorrows; glad in the Lord

Ps. 16:11-fulness of joy

Gen. 4:7-do well, countenance lifted

Peace is a settled assurance that things will turn out well.

"The steadfast of mind Thou wilt keep in perfect peace, because he trusts in Thee." (Isa. 26:3)

"Because he, who not only loves me but is Love, is so great, I live beyond harm in his hands; and there is nothing that can happen to me that will not turn out to my good. *Nothing*. That is what Romans 8:28 really means." --Dallas Willard

Jn. 14:27-peace I give to you

Is. 26:3-steadfast, trusts

Is. 48:22-no peace for wicked

Rom. 12:18-be at peace

Rom. 8:6-mind set...peace

Rom. 15:13-joy and peace

Ps. 119:165-love law, great peace

Phil. 4:6-9-peace of God

Gal. 5:22, 23-fruit of Spirit

1 Pet. 3:11-seek peace

Col. 3:15-peace of Christ rule

Js. 3:17-wisdom from above...peaceable