

Celebrating Sacred Joy
i.e., Supernatural Biblical-Spiritual Joy
Part 21

(Points I. and II. and all sub points see previous note sheets)

Some Generally Accepted Universal Truths

The Earth Revolves Around the Sun

The Sun Gives Heat and Light

The Sun Rises in the East and Sets in the West

Light Travels Faster than Sound

(light = 273,400 miles an hour

Sound 1,125 feet per second = light)

One + One = Two

Dogs Bark

Cats' Meow

Every Human Being Is Mortal

One Absolute Truth That Is Not Universally Accepted by Most

This Rejected Truth Negatively Affects Every Human Being

This Rejected Truth Keeps People from Experiencing Supernatural Biblical Spiritual Joy
i.e.; Delight in God

**This Truth is That Every Human Being with the Single Exception of Jesus Christ
Sins and Comes Short of The Glory *i.e.*; the Righteousness, the Holiness of God**

*"For He hath made Him, Who knew no sin, sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness
of God in Him."* 2 Cor. 5:21

*"For we have not a high priest Who cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities but was
in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."*
Heb. 4:15

*"For such a high priest was fitting for us, Who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners,
and made higher than the heavens."*
Heb 7:26

“But with the precious blood of the Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.”
1 Pet. 1:19

“Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth;”
1 Pet. 2:22

“And ye know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him is no sin.”
1 Jn. 3:5

This Truth is That Every Human Being with the Single Exception of Jesus Christ Sins and Comes Short of The Glory i.e.; the Righteousness, the Holiness of God

“The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God. They are ALL gone aside, they are together become filthy; there is NONE that doeth good, no, NOT ONE.” Psalm 14:2-3;

“For NOT a just man upon earth, that doeth good and sinneth not.” Eccl. 7:20

“As it is written, There is NONE RIGHTEOUS, no NOT ONE!”
Rm. 3:10

“For ALL have sinned and come short of the glory of God.” Rm. 3:25

Apart from Holiness One Cannot be in the Personal Presence of God

“Follow peace with all and holiness, without which no man shall see God.” Heb. 12:14

Being in the Personal Presence of God is Foundational to Attaining, Maintaining and Manifesting Supernatural Biblical Spiritual Joy.

The Scriptures Reveal That Joy and the Presence of God are Closely Connected 1 Chr. 16:27;
Psalm 16:11; 21:6; Acts 2:28, 1 Pet. 4:13; Jude 24

There Is Joy in the Presence of the Lord

“Splendor and majesty (are) before Him, Strength, and joy (are) in His place.” 1 Chr. 16:27

The Words ‘**Before Him**’ Are the Translation of the Hebrew Word (פָּנֵי) English Transliteration **paneh** the Word Literally Means **Face** of Gen. 9:23 Gen. 32:31; 43:3; Ex. 33:11; Deut. 5:4; 34:10; 2 Sam. 14:32 2 Sam. 19:5; 2 Ki. 14:8; Psalm 69:7; Jer. 2:27; Ezk. 20:35

“Thou wilt show me the path of life. In Thy presence (is) fullness of joy; at Thy right hand (there are) pleasures for evermore.” Psalm 16:11

The Word '**Presence**' Is the Translation of the Hebrew Word (פָּנֶה) English Transliteration **paneh** Which Literally Means **Face**

The Word '**Fullness**' Is the Translation of the Hebrew Word (שָׂבֵעַ) English Transliteration '**soboah**' the Word Means to Be **Satiated, Saturated, Filled to the Brim, to Be Overflowing**

"For You make him most blessed forever; You make him joyful with gladness in Your presence." Psalm 21:6

There Are Two Words in the Hebrew Which Mean '**Joy**' in This Verse; **They Are the Words Translated 'you make him joyful'** Which Are the Translation of the Hebrew Verb חָדַד English Transliteration **chadah** in the **Piel Stem, Expressing Intensive Active Action,** and Conveys the Thought of One Being **supremely, immensely joyful**

The Second Hebrew Word '**with gladness**' חִמְחַם English Transliteration **simachah** Translated '**with gladness**' and Means '**Joy, Gladness, Mirth, Jubilation**'

The Use of Two Hebrew Words Which Are Similar in Meaning Stresses, Emphasizes, Underscores the **Reality** and the **Intensity** of the Joy

The Word '**Presence**' Is the Translation of the Hebrew Word (פָּנֶה) English Transliteration **paneh** Which Literally Means **Face = the Immediate Personal Presence** of God

III. **Why** It Is Important for Believers to **Attain** and **Maintain** and **Manifest** Supernatural Biblical Spiritual Joy (A Life of Pure Delight in God)

[Points A. through C. and all sub points see previous note sheets]

D. Because A Life of Pure **Delight** in God **Enhances** the **Quality** of One's Earthly Life and Spiritual Life cf Acts 5:29-42; Acts 16: 21-34; 2 Cor. 7:1-4; Philipp. 1:25; 4:4 of 4:11-13; 1 Thess. 1:6; Heb.10:32-34

[Points 1. through 3. and all sub points see previous note sheets]

4. **Conversion** of the Jailer and the Members of His Household cf Acts 16:30-34

"And brought them out, and said Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." Acts 16:30-31

"And they spoke unto him the Word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes, and was baptized, he and all his immediately." Acts 16:32-33

"And when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house." Acts 16:34

- e. The Correct **Answer** *“And they said believe on the Lord Jesus and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.”* Acts 16:31

[Points 1) through 3) and any other sub points see previous note sheet]

- 4) Goes Beyond the Jailer's **Perceived** Need of Immediate, Present, Physical Deliverance from the Wrath of the God of Paul and Silas and Addresses His **Real** Needs Which Are Not Physical but **Spiritual** They Spoke Unto Him the **‘Word of the Lord’** in This Context It Means They Expounded the **Old Testament Scriptures** cf (Jer. 1:9 Jer. 36:27-28; cf Dan. 9:2); (Acts 13:14-47; cf Isa. 49:6) cf Acts 4:29, 31; 8:25; 26-37; 11:19-21; 13:14-49; Acts 14:25-27; 16:6-10; 17:2-3; 19:8-10; Rm. 1:1-4, 7, 9, 11, 15-16, Rm. 1:26-32; 2:5, 8, 12, 16; 3:6, 9-12, 23; Philipp 1:14; Col. 1:6-7; Heb. 13:7 and Revealed to Them Their Real Needs Included:

[Point a) see previous note sheets]

- b) Knowing He and the Members of His Family (and You and I) Must Be **Holy** as God is **Holy** cf Mt. 6:33; Rm. 1:17; 3:5; 21-30; 4:1-25; 5:1-21; 10:3; 2 Cor. 5:21; 9:9; 2 Tim. 4:8; Heb. 12:14; James 1:20; 1 Pet. 1:15-16; 2 Pet. 1:1; 1 Jn. 2:29; 1 Jn. 3:7; Rev. 19:11; Rm. 3:21-30; 4:1-25; 5:1-21; Pet. 1:15-16 cf Lev. 11:44-45; 19:2; 20:7, 26; 21:8; More Passages Which Reveal God is **Holy** cf 1 Sam. 2:2; 6:20 *“Who can stand before the **Holy** God?”*; 2 Ki. 19:22; Isa. 1:4; 5:16, 19, Isa. 5:24; 6:3; 10:17, 20; 12:6; 17:7; 29:19, 23; 30:11, 12, 15; Isa. 31:1; 37:23; Isa. 40:25; 41:14, 16, 20; 43:3, 14, 15; Isa. 45:11; 47:4 (His Name is **HOLY**); 48:17; 49:7 54:5; 57:17; Isa. 60:9, 14; Jer. 50:29; 51:5; Ezk. 39:7; Hosea 11:9; 12:1; Habk 1:12; 3:3; Psalm 22:3; 71:22; 78:41; 89:19; 99:3, 5, 9; 111:9; Prv. 9:10; 30:3; Rev. 4:8; 6:10; and Know They Are to Serve in **Holiness** and Righteousness Lk. 1:75

Believers Do Not Have to Wait until the After-Life to Be in the Presence of God and Experience the Exulting Delight of His Presence in Their Lives

Believers Have Present and Immediate Access to God

“According to the eternal purpose which He purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord. “In Whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of Him.”

Eph. 3:11-12

The Words '**In Whom**' Refer to Christ Jesus our Lord The Words '**We Have**' Are the Translation of the Greek Verb ἔχομεν English Transliteration **exomen** = 1st Person, Plural, **Present** Tense Meaning We **Continually** Have, We **Always** Have, There is **Not** a Time All Who Are in Christ Jesus Our Lord Do Not Have Boldness and Access

'**In Whom**', Is the Translation of the Prepositional Phrase ἐν ᾧ English Transliteration '**en ho**' Which Is in the **Emphatic** Position, **Emphasis, Stress** Is Placed Upon the Fact That It Is '**in Christ Jesus Our Lord**' – This Is Only **True** for Those Who Are '**In**' Christ Jesus Our Lord

The Word Translated **boldness / freedom** Is The Greek Word παρρησία = English Transliteration **parresia** “. . .**a use of speech that conceals nothing and passes over nothing, outspokenness, frankness, plainness. . .**” William Arndt et al., *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2000), 781.

“. . .**outspokenness, frankness, freedom of speech.**” Henry George Liddell et al., *A Greek-English Lexicon* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1996), 1344.

“**In accordance with its etymology παρρησία is used especially of “freedom,” “boldness” in speech. . .**” James Hope Moulton and George Milligan, *The Vocabulary of the Greek Testament* (London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1930), 497.

“**παρρησία, originally relating to behaviour towards others and indicating the democratic freedom to speak out an opinion, came in Jewish Greek to be used also, of freedom to speak to God.**” Ernest Best, *A Critical and Exegetical Commentary on Ephesians, International Critical Commentary* (Edinburgh: T&T Clark International, 1998), 329.

The Word '**access**' Is the Translation of the Greek Word (προσαγωγή) English Transliteration **prosagoge** The Word Is Used In Secular Greek for Bringing Food to the **Mouth**, Taking Medication **Orally**

The Word in This Context Expresses the Idea of **Access into the Immediate Personal Presence** of God

“**προσαγωγή, a leading or bringing to the presence of anyone. . .**” Ethelbert W. Bullinger, *A Critical Lexicon and Concordance to the English and Greek New Testament* (London: Longmans, Green, & Co., 1908), 23

Believers Can Come into the Immediate Personal Presence of God by Means of Prayer through Jesus Christ Which Facilitates the Believer's Joy

“**Hitherto have asked nothing in My name; ask, and ye shall receive, that your JOY MAY BE FULL.**” Jn. 16:24

The Scriptures Bring Us into the Presence of the Lord

“But we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.” 2 Cor. 3:18

The Greek Word Translated ‘*beholding as in a mirror*’ (κατοπτρίζω) English Transliteration ‘*katoptrizo*’ Is Not Used again in the Scriptures; It Is in the Present Tense, Participle Form Denoting Producing a Continual Reflection

The Words ‘*of the glory*’ Are the Translation of the Greek Word (δόξα) English Transliteration ‘*doxa*’ Literally Means ‘*Brightness*’ of Acts 22:11; the Word Is Also Used to Convey the Thought of the Essence, the Nature, Character, of a Person of Jn. 1:14; 2:11; 11:40; Rm. 6:4 cf Eph. 1:19-20; Rm. 9:23; Heb. 1:3 Rev. 15:8; Ex. 33:18-34:9) *of the Lord* Refers to Jesus

The Scriptures Continually Produce a Reflection of the Nature, the Character, the Essence, of the Person of the Lord Jesus

“Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of Me.” Jn. 5:39

“And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, He expounded unto them, in all the scriptures, the things concerning Himself.” Lk. 24:27

“And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within in us, while He talked along the way, and while He opened to us the scriptures? Lk. 24:32

“And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures,” Acts 17:2

“Opening and alleging that Christ must needs have suffered and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, Whom I proclaim unto you, is the Christ.” Acts 17:3

The Scriptures Which Bring Us into the Presence of the Lord Give Us the Joy of the Lord

“These things have I spoken unto you, My joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.” Jn. 15:11

The Words '***I Have Spoken***' Are the Translation of the Greek Verb λαλέω English Transliteration '***Laleo***' The Word Is in The Perfect Tense Form Which Places Emphasis upon the ***Abiding Results*** of the Action; The Words Which Jesus Spoke to His Original Apostles ***Remain*** Even unto Today and Are Found in the ***Written Word*** of God

Theological Impact from Today's Teaching

*Remaining in the **Presence** of God is Necessary to **Attain**, **Maintain** and **Manifest** Supernatural Biblical Joy*

Three Things Believers Can and Must **Do to Stay** in the **Presence** of God

1. **Maintain** a Mental Attitude or Mindset of **Prayer** cf Jn. 16:24; Eph. 3:12 and 1 Thess. 5:17
2. **Walk** in the **Light** as He is in the Light of 1 Jn. 1:5-7 = Live Life in **Accordance** with the Illuminated **Revelation** God Has Given Concerning His Essence, Nature, Character, and Will with Emphasis on What the Word of God Defines as Being a **Holy** Life
3. Continually Be **Reading**, **Studying** and **Contemplating** the Word of God cf Jn. 15:11; 17:13