

HOMECELL NOTES

SERMON TITLE Pastor At Boshoff - THE JOY OF THE LORD IS
YOUR STRENGTH

DATE 29 March 2017

WELCOME Ask each person in the group to give a short testimony of God's faithfulness in their lives.

WORSHIP Sing 1x praise and 2x worship songs. During prayer time focus on God's Greatness and Power!

WORD

Declare: "THE JOY OF THE LORD IS MY STRENGTH!"

The voice of victory is rejoicing!

The heavier the assault on your life, the bigger your praise should be. You don't put away your weapon when you're being attacked: **PRAISE IS YOUR WEAPON!**

QUESTION: Why is rejoicing so powerful?

Read: Psalm 5:11-12 & Psalm 89:15-18

REMEMBER – IF SATAN CAN'T STEAL YOUR JOY, HE CAN'T KEEP YOUR GOODS!

Read: Nehemiah 8:10

HOW TO GET YOUR JOY BACK:

1. KEEP HOPE ALIVE IN YOUR HEART!

- **GOD'S NOT DEAD, HE IS ALIVE!**
- **HE IS STILL ON THE THRONE!**
- **AND HE IS A GOOD GOD!**
- **HE STILL WATCHES OVER HIS WORD TO PERFORM IT IN YOUR LIFE!**

TOO MANY HAVE LOST THE JOY OF THE LORD BECAUSE THEY HAVE LOST THEIR HOPE IN GOD!

Read: Psalm 42:11

QUESTION: How do you keep hope alive?

- **BELIEVE THAT TOMMOROW WILL BE BETTER**
- **FOCUS ON THE PROMISE AND NOT THE PROBLEM**
- **TOUGH TIMES DON'T LAST, BUT TOUGH PEOPLE DO**

Read: 1 John 5:4

2. REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS!

Remember family, every day our attitude is our choice!

Read: Psalm 118:24; 1 Thessalonians 5:16 & Philippians 3:1

QUESTION: Why do we rejoice?

- WE KNOW THAT GOD IS WITH US
- WE KNOW THAT GOD WILL MAKE A WAY

Read: James 5:11 & Habakkuk 3:17-19

3. BE FILLED WITH HIS SPIRIT!

**THE JOY OF THE LORD COMES FROM A LIVING AND ABIDING
RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS!**

Read: John 15:11

JESUS IS THE RIVER THAT WILL NEVER RUN DRY!

Read: Romans 14:17

QUESTION: To sum it all up – what is real joy?

Our joy is knowing that no matter what comes our way - whether it's personal hardship for us or our family; or maybe just the routine ups and downs of life; the good times and the bad times; plenty of strengthening times or times of exhaustion – that through it all, we have a relationship with a God, whose strength is overwhelming and limitless. Because of that, we have joy.

WORKS

Shout It Out!!!

**OUR MANDATE STATEMENT:
'WIN THE LOST AT ANY COST'**

Target the following people:

People in your world who have experienced adversity. Bind the work of the enemy in their lives and release the blessings of God into their lives and invite them to the Celebration Service for them to experience the power of God, under the ministry of the Word.

BIBLE SCHOOL

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