



2020 Theme: Delighting in Worship
Psalm 100:3-5

The Source of Abundant Joy 3/15/20

“In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.”
—Romans 8:37

Paul was speaking here of the things that might seem likely to separate a saint from the love of God. But the remarkable thing is that nothing can come between the love of God and a saint. The things Paul mentioned in this passage can and do disrupt the close fellowship of our soul with God and separate our natural life from Him. But none of them is able to come between the love of God and the soul of a saint on the spiritual level. The underlying foundation of the Christian faith is the undeserved, limitless miracle of the love of God that was exhibited on the Cross of Calvary; a love that is not earned and can never be. Paul said this is the reason that “in all these things we are more than conquerors.” We are super-victors with a joy that comes from experiencing the very things which look as if they are going to overwhelm us.

Huge waves that would frighten an ordinary swimmer produce a tremendous thrill for the surfer who has ridden them. Let’s apply that to our own circumstances. The things we try to avoid and fight against— tribulation, suffering, and persecution— are the very things that produce abundant joy in us. “We are more than conquerors through Him” “in all these things”; not in spite of them, but in the midst of them. A saint doesn’t know the joy of the Lord in spite of tribulation, but because of it. Paul said, “I am exceedingly joyful in all our tribulation” (2 Corinthians 7:4).

The undiminished radiance, which is the result of abundant joy, is not built on anything passing, but on the love of God that nothing can change. And the experiences of life, whether they are everyday events or terrifying ones, are powerless to “separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Romans 8:39).

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Family News and Notes

Prayer Requests

- Please pray for all those affected by the coronavirus!
- Cheryl Reames - recovering from brain surgery; able to return home
- Remember those affected by the Nashville tornado
- Gary's wife, Lisa - infection in digestive tract
- Anna's friends' child, Harper - in critical condition with brain issue
- Aaron's dad - having hernia surgery this week and possible treatments for recent Parkinson's diagnosis
- Sarah Hadder's nephew, Ben - diagnosed with epilepsy
- Logan Thomas' wife - pregnant and diagnosed with Lymphoma; moving forward with treatment
- Jeff Wilks - battling anxiety and depression, following recent Parkinson's diagnosis
- Nate's father, Dan - recovering in nursing home from a recent fall
- Kirk Johnson - torn rotator cuff amongst other pressing health issues
- Kenny requested prayers for Carl Garner
- Justin Carpenter - diagnosed with ALS, awaiting surgery for shoulder
- Aaron's grandmother, Anita - struggling with COPD
- Sandra - continue praying for her and daughter's health issues
- Sarah Hadders' mom, Sherry – health issues
- Remember those who are battling cancer
 - Lora Watson - returning to Arizona for more treatment
 - Maggie Tope's teacher, Donna Smith
 - Mother in law of the Dew's daughter, Tracey Stall
 - Robert Bender's stepfather
 - DeWayne's friend, Jody - undergoing 1 year of treatment
 - Laura Gillett, wife of Jonathan's co-worker
- Continue to remember those suffering chronic conditions:
 - Dale Szymanski – blood pressure issues
 - Judy Sartin – RA
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