

MESSAGE SUMMARY

CAN'T STEAL MY JOY– PASTOR DAVID WINSTON

- **WHEN YOU TAKE TIME TO SPEND WITH GOD, HIS PRESENCE BECOMES CONSTANT IN YOUR LIFE. REMAINING AWARE OF GOD'S PRESENCE IS THE START OF JOY.**
- **HAPPINESS IS SOMETHING THAT CAN COME AND GO DEPENDING ON WHAT IS HAPPENING IN YOUR LIFE. IT IS A EMOTIONAL RESPONSE THAT IS TIED TO SATISFACTION IN LIFE.**
- **JOY IS A SUPERNATURAL OUTLOOK OF HOPE ACCORDING TO THE DIVINE TRUTH THAT ELEVATES YOUR ATTITUDE.**
- **JOY IS A DECISION, NOT AN EMOTION. JOY IS HOPE EXPRESSED IN AN ATTITUDE AND THE RESULT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INFLUENCE ON A BELIEVER.**
- **THE ENEMY WORKS TO KEEP YOU TOO BUSY TO TAKE TIME TO FELLOWSHIP AND BE IN GOD'S PRESENCE.**

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- JOY IS PROOF OF REDEMPTION. WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT IS INSIDE OF YOU, JOY IS YOUR DISPOSITION.
- THE FURTHER YOU ARE FROM FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD, THE FURTHER YOU ARE FROM JOY. JOY ISN'T THE RESULT OF A CIRCUMSTANCE, IT'S A CHOICE.
- THE WAY TO GET JOY IS TO NOT TO LIVE BY OUR SOULS. EMOTIONS ARE NOT EVIL, THEY ARE TO BE RESPONDED TO, NOT FOLLOWED.
- YOU HAVE TO MAKE A PRE-DETERMINED DECISION TO HAVE JOY. JOY IS THE AWARENESS OF GOD'S GRACE. REJOICE BECAUSE OF GRACE.
- YOU HAVE TO DARE TO HAVE HOPE IN THE MIDST OF HARDSHIP. KNOW THAT GOD HAS A PLAN FOR YOU. JOY CLARIFIES YOUR PERCEPTION OF THINGS TO SEE WHAT GOD IS DOING.

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- **COMPLAINING SIGNAL'S DANGER IN YOUR MIND. THE MORE YOU COMPLAIN, THE FASTER YOUR BRAIN DEFAULTS TO NEGATIVITY. REPLACE COMPLAINING WITH JOY. THE ENEMY CAN'T STEAL YOUR JOY UNLESS HE HIDES THE TRUTH.**
- **JOY GIVES STRENGTH, FOSTERS GOOD HEALTH AND BRINGS DELIVERANCE. THE BEST THING YOU CAN DO IN A HARD TIME IS BE JOYFUL. JOY BRINGS EXTRAORDINARY ENDURANCE AND USHERS IN PEACE.**
- **PEACE IS JOY RESTING AND JOY IS PEACE DANCING. THE JOY OF THE LORD IS YOUR STRENGTH. YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE JOY NO MATTER WHAT YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES ARE. GOD WILL DELIVER YOU.**
- **THE HARD SITUATION CHANGES THE MOMENT YOU DECIDE TO CHOOSE JOY.**

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SCRIPTURE REFERENCES – NKJV UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

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PHILIPPIANS 4:4 (NIV)

2 THESSALONIANS 5:16 (NIV)

GALATIANS 5:22

LUKE 10:21 (NIV)

PSALM 3:3

MATTHEW 5:11-12 (AMP)

JAMES 1:2-4

PSALM 138:8

2 CORINTHIANS 4:18

NEHEMIAH 8:10

PROVERBS 17:22

ISAIAH 12:3

ROMANS 8:28

HEBREWS 12:2

ROMANS 15:13 (NIV)

PSALM 118:24

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