

Intercessory Joy!

*Sunday May 7, 2023
Series: Inexpressible Joy*

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John 16:24 ESV*

My Joy in Christ is Realized through My Prayers to the Father!

I Control the _____ of Joy in My Life

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*“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.”
Galatians 5:22–23 ESV*

The _____ of the Spirit

*“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace:”
1 Peter 4:10 ESV*

How to Spell J-O-Y

J _____

O _____

Y _____

I Am My Greatest _____ to Joy

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I Tried But Prayer _____!

“So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me.” 2 Corinthians 12:7–8 ESV

“But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.” 2 Corinthians 12:9 ESV

(Also Romans 8:28)

Three Insights into My Heart

1. I Am Not Where I Need _____

“What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you?” James 4:1 ESV

2. I Do Not Ask My _____ to Help

“You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask.” James 4:2 ESV

3. I Ask With The _____

“You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.” James 4:3 ESV

Three Habits that Produce Intercessory Joy

1. Ask with _____

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2. Replace My Worry with _____

“do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:6–7 ESV

3. Place My _____ in God

“And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.” 1 John 5:14–15 ESV

“Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.” Romans 8:26–27 ESV

What Needs to be My Next Step to Realize Intercessory Joy?

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