

Philippians 3:1 & 4:4
Philippians 1:18, 2:17-18, 28

Philippians 3:1 Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things *again* is no trouble to me, and it is a safeguard for you.

Philippians 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!

1. "Rejoice in the Lord always," is a _____ given to us, not a _____.
2. The command to rejoice is not a command to _____, we cannot control our _____ or _____.
3. The command to rejoice does not mean that it is _____ to _____ or to feel _____ about certain events.
4. To rejoice _____ mean that I am necessarily _____ or _____ the experience that I am going through.
5. To rejoice _____ mean that I am necessarily _____ and _____.
6. Our best _____ of "rejoicing" is _____ as He faced the _____, and while He was being _____. **Hebrews 12:2-3.**
7. Jesus knew the _____ of the _____ so He _____ on that instead of the immediate _____. **Hebrews 12:2-3.**
8. We _____ and feel _____, but not the way the _____ does because we know the _____ of the story as well.
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Philippians 3:20-21; Romans 8:23-25; Philippians 1:22-24.

9. The command, "Rejoice in the Lord," can be understood to mean

"Rejoice _____ the _____."

- rejoicing is an _____ towards God of _____ Him, and _____ to Him, and again, Jesus is our _____ of how to do that. **Matthew 26:37-39.**

10. Even though life at times may be very _____, and full of _____,

those who are rejoicing always will _____ on God for the _____ to manage the pain. **1 Samuel 30:1-6, 18-19.**

11. A major part of our attitude of rejoicing is to always recognize that

God is working at _____ our _____ to be like

that of Jesus, and trials are the main _____ that He uses to do that. **Romans 5:3-4; James 1:2-4; Hebrews 2:10, 5:8-9; Isaiah 64:8.**

12. Who and what we are in _____ when we enter _____

is who and what we are _____.

-The more _____ Jesus we are when we get there the more He will _____ us and the more we will _____ Him. **Psalms 90:12.**

13. Another key aspect of our attitude of rejoicing is knowing that the

more we suffer well, the more _____ we are for God in this life

and the more _____ we will _____. **Philippians 1:12; John 12:24-25; 1 Timothy 1:11-12; 1 Thessalonians 2:2-4.**

14. Those who "rejoice in the Lord always" even though they may be going through tough times and may be grieving and sad, still think of

others first and _____ them with _____ and

_____. **John 19:26-27.**