Joy

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What power do we seek to use?

Humanity has been known to seek control and power, desiring positions of authority and influence outside of the power of the Holy Ghost. Throughout history, people have come up with ways to gain wealth and maintain control over the people. Many today seek power and the appearance of being blessed, often while not following God's commands and doing things their own way. This can never end in true happiness or joy.

Thoughts to consider

- 1. Is there Joy in my salvation?
- 2. How can I share that Joy with others?
- 3. How does knowing God is in the midst of His People make me feel?
- 4. In what ways can I promote unity with other believers this week?
- 5. Am I truly glad when it is time to assemble with the saints?
- 6. Am I trusting in my own power and feeling defeated, or am I resting in the Power of the Holy Ghost for true Strength?

Key Points from Scripture

John rejoiced as a baby in the womb when he was in the presence of Christ. How much more so should we ALL rejoice in the presence of one another, having received the Promise together!

The Joy of God's Salvation will cause sinners to be converted to Him, and fellow believers will be strengthened.

God dwells in the midst of us. His Salvation is clothed about us as a covering.

Letting God's Power lead us through His Spirit keeps us in unity and peace, because we are members of One Body, with One God in us working through us all. We should seek to preserve our spiritual body (not ours alone, but as members of one Body).

Key Points from Scripture continued

Each person, or individual member (body part) of the Body of Christ contributes to the growth and strengthening of the whole body through love. We are ALL meant to edify one another!

We have heard Him, been taught by Him, and the Truth is in Him.

We "walk" in the name of our God. We should be careful of how we do this.

Scriptures

For your reference:

(1) Psalm 51:12-13

(3) Psalms 133:1-3

(5) Luke 1:15-17; 41-47

(7) Matthew 18:20

(9) Ephesians 4:1-32

(11) Ephesians 1:10

(13) Matthew 12:30

(15) Romans 1:15-16

(17) Isaiah 1:18

(2) Psalm 132:16

(4) Zechariah 2:10-13

(6)Psalms 34:1-5

(8) Hebrews 11:25

(10) Micah 4:5-7

(12) 1 Thessalonians 5:11-28

(14) Psalms 122:1-9

(16) 2 Peter 1:14