

# Heart <sup>2</sup> Heart With God **PEACE AND JOY**

The Christian vehicle effectively runs on two wheels: **1). Peace. 2) Joy.** Very strongly I am convinced that these most important things which are solid foundation of Christian life are ignored or failed to understand by the people of God.

## **PEACE**

First of all we need to understand that we were not at peace with God due to our sin. But Jesus Christ, the Beloved Son of God made peace with God and us by shedding his Precious Blood on the cross! Now those of us who have placed our trust on Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord have peace with God.

Since Jesus Christ is called the Price of Peace (Isaiah 9:6b), and we trust and follow him we as his followers must walk in his Peace too. But sad to say that we His children and especially his ministers most of the time do not walk in His peace. We are always disturbed by any negative news or situation. And if you read carefully apostle Paul's letters at the beginning of his letters he write "Grace and peace be unto you" (I Corinthians 1:3; Galatians 1:3; Ephesians 1:2) and other letters too. When Jesus after His resurrection entered the closed room where all his disciples were gathered the first thing he said was, "..Peace be unto you!" (John 20:19b).

The key to have and walk in His peace is: ""Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee" (Isaiah 26:3). To walk in His peace we must focus on God, through His Word. We must keep His Word in our hearts to avoid so many unwanted things which are great hindrances to our faith life (Psalms 119:8-11). When we start walking in the peace of God then automatically we will walk in peace with others too: (Romans 12:18; Hebrew 12:14). So, let us walk in His peace and that will encourage us to walk in peace with everyone! This is also the fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22).

## **JOY**

Joy comes into our hearts when we receive Jesus Christ into our hearts as our Savior and Lord. He fills our hearts with joy of salvation: (Psalms 16:11; 35:9; 51:12). This joy is which we have to experience in every step of our lives. We should, and must not lose this joy at any cost because this **JOY OF THE LORD IS OUR STRENGTH** (Nehemiah 8:10b). We need strength to continue to walk by faith and that we can draw by the Joy which our good Lord has placed in our hearts at the time we accepted Jesus Christ in our hearts as our Savior and Lord. This is also is the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22). We have to be always joyful. Look what the Bible says, "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations" (James 1:3). All these verses encourage us to walk in the joy of the Lord which is the source of our strength which we need for our Christian walk.

So our good Lord is always mindful about us and our walk with Him and He has provided everything for us in His Word to overcome and be victorious Christians! He is our Victor since Jesus Christ has won the victory on the Cross over the enemy and since we are in Jesus Christ we are also more than conquers in Jesus Christ (Romans 8:37). Jesus is our example (Hebrews 12:2).

May our good Lord continue to bless you and your families! Prema and I love you so dearly and pray for you daily! Write us for we love to hear from you!

Remember, **Jesus is Lord** and take with you **the Word of God and Faith**, excellent traveling Companions.  
Psalms 119:105; II Corinthians 5:7).



**PRAY FOR US!**  
Stay safe, stay provided and protected!

**PARTNER WITH US  
MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**