

## A SHOWER OF DELIGHT – A Scripture reading for 3 readers

*DELIGHT: A word that captures how we should feel as we rest our hearts in God.*

1 – My soul will rejoice in the Lord and delight in his salvation.

2 – Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart.

3 – Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who find great delight in his commands.

1 – For the Lord takes delight in his people, he crowns the humble with salvation.

2 – I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

3 – This is what the Lord says: “Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength or the rich boast of their riches, but let those who boast, boast about this: that they understand and know me, that I am the Lord, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight,” declares the Lord.

1 – When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart’s delight, for I bear your name, O Lord God Almighty.

2 – The Lord your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing.

3 – That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

1 – Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

2 – However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.

3 – Even if I am being poured out like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service coming from your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you. So you too should be glad and rejoice with me.

1, 2 & 3 – Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

1 – Let us rejoice and be glad and give God glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready.

2 – And Mary said: “My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant.”

3 – Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord, is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.” With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

1 – I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

2 – In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

1, 2 & 3 – The joy of the Lord is your strength.

Scriptures used in this Shower: Psalm 35:9, Psalm 37:4, Psalm 112:1, Psalm 149:4, Isaiah 61:10, Jeremiah 9:23-24, Jeremiah 15:16, Zephaniah 3:17, 2 Corinthians 12:10, Matthew 5:11-12, Luke 10:20, Philippians 2:17-18, Philippians 4:4, Revelations 19:7, Luke 1:46-48a, Isaiah 12:2-3, 3 John 4, John 16:33b, Nehemiah 8:10c

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