

Coburg Road Church of Christ

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View from Mt. Nebo in Jordan looking north and west across Jordan Valley

Deuteronomy 28:45-48

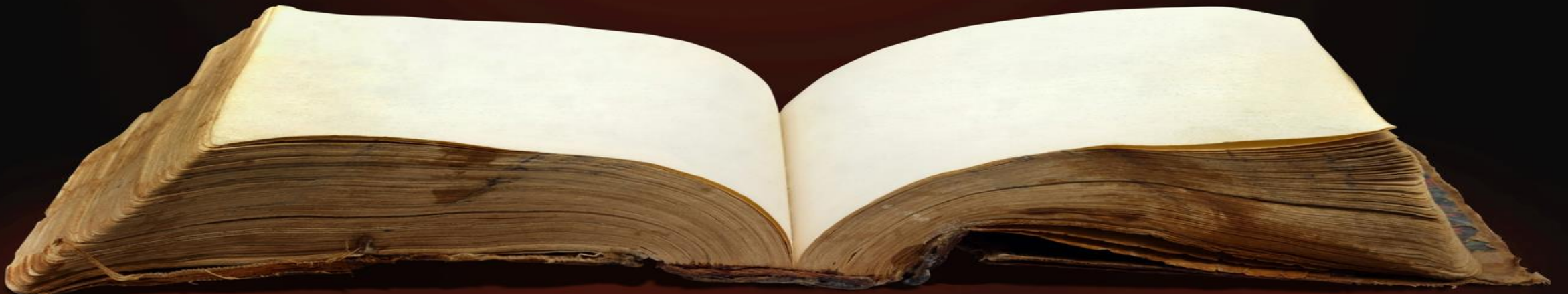
All these curses shall come on you and pursue you and overtake you until you are destroyed, because you would not obey the Lord your God by keeping His commandments and His statutes. They shall become a sign and a wonder on you and your descendants forever,

Because you did not serve the Lord your God with joy and a glad heart...”



Galatians 5:17-23

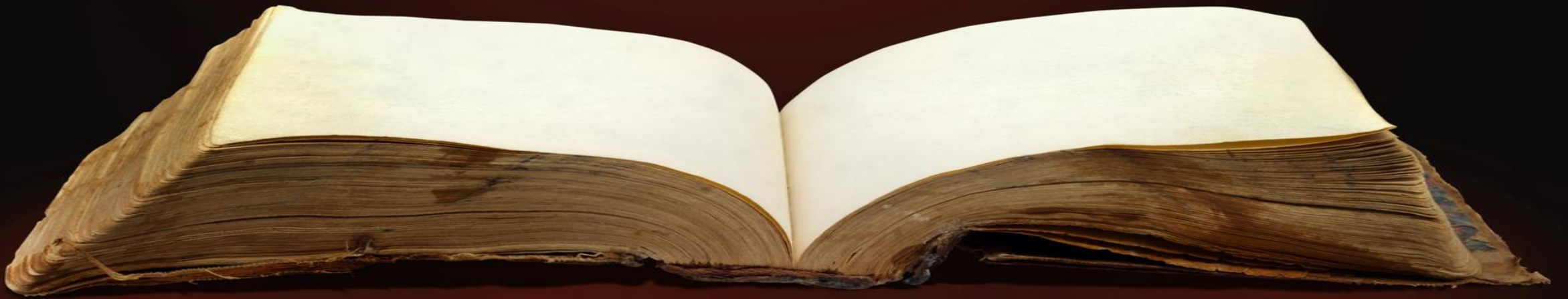
- 17 The flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh;
for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.
- 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.
- 19 Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,
20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,
21 envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I
have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.
- 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.



#1

JOY

Is a fruit of the Spirit



Hebrews 12:11-13

All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.

Therefore, strengthen the hands that are weak and the knees that are feeble, and make straight paths for your feet, so that the limb which is lame may not be put out of joint, but rather be healed.



#2

Hebrews 12:1-3

Since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.



God knows

God cares

God understands

Ultimate Joy
Lies Ahead



#3

JAMES 1:2-4

Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.



John 15:11

These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.

John 16:22-24

You have grief now; but I will see you again, and your heart will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you. In that day you will not question Me about anything. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you. Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made full.

John 17:13

**These things I speak in the world
so that they may have My joy made full in themselves.**

1 John 1:4

**These things we write,
so that our joy may be made complete.**

Today's Lessons:

- 1. Joy comes from knowing God.*
 - 2. Keep Heaven in mind.*
 - 3. Joy is your choice.*
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