

"The Joy Of Believing"

1 John 1:1-4 (ref)

"Joy" - gladness of heart, contentment, sense of well being

"Absence of Joy"- misery, gloom, woe, sorrow, etc

1 John 1:1

~ "from the beginning"

~ John 1:1-2, 14 (ref)

~ Jesus, Eternal God, Deity of Christ

~ "heard", "have seen", "looked upon", "handled"

~ "Word of life" John 1:14, John 11:25, Col 1:16-17 (refs)

1 John 1:2-4

~ "life was manifested"

- ~ v2 Jesus, Phil 2:5-8 (ref)
- ~ v3 "seen, heard, declared"
- ~ fellowship with us, the Father and the Son
- ~ v4 "so that"

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1. Joy Is Available!

- ~ 2 Cor 5:21(ref)
- ~ 1 John 1:4 5:13 ; John 20:31 (refs)

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2. No Other Means!

- ~ v1 "from the beginning"
- ~ v3 "fellowship with the Father and Son"
- ~ Thessalonians, Peter, Galatians

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3. Our Father Waits

- ~ v3 fellowship with us, with the Father, with the Son

~ Luke 15:20 "great way off"

~ John 4:23 "Father seeking such"

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Available.....Only Through Jesus.....Our Father
Waits

"that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. And these things we write to you that your joy may be full."

I John 1:3-4