

"The Joy of Believing" pt 2

1 John 1:1-4 (ref)

NT: Matthew 7:24-25 "build your house"

OT: Psalm 133 "dwell together"

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

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

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1. This Joy Is Available and Attainable!

~ Mark 10:45 "ransom", John 1:14

"manifested"

~ "curse" unable to enter God's presence

~ 2 Corinthians 5:21 "became sin"

~ John 1:12 "child of God"

~ new creation, reconciled, no longer slaves, forgiven, washed, justified sanctified, righteousness of God, joint heirs, loved

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2. No Other Means!

~ Thessalonians knew 1 Thes 1:6-7

"affliction/joy"

~ Peter knew 1 Peter 1:8-9 "believing/grief/joy"

~ Galatians knew Gal 5:22 "fruit of the Spirit-joy"

~ Acts 4:11-12 "no other Name"

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3. Our Father Waits

~ Luke 15:20 "long way off"

~ 1 John 2:15 "love of the world"

~ 1 John 1:9 "confess"

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~ Available and Attainable

~ Only Through Jesus

~ 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."

1 John 1:3-4