

Zeph. 3:17 NKJV - The Lord your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing.

Amp - The Lord your God is in the midst of you, a Mighty One, a Savior [Who saves]! He will rejoice over you with joy; He will rest [in silent satisfaction] and in His love He will be silent and make no mention [of past sins, or even recall them]; He will exult over you with singing.

NLT - For the Lord your God is living among you. He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in you with gladness. With his love, he will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs.

- A. "He will REJOICE" = H7797 suws – to exult, rejoice, be glad.
1. Ps. 119:14 NIV – I REJOICE in following your statutes as one REJOICES in great riches.
  2. Ps. 119:162 NIV – I REJOICE in your promise like one who finds great spoil. [IN OTHER WORDS – He feels like you would feel if you just won the lottery.]
  3. Is. 35:1-2a (in speaking of the land that had been ravaged while Judah was held in captivity by the Assyrian army) - The wilderness and the dry land shall BE GLAD; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the rose and the autumn crocus. <sup>2</sup> It shall blossom abundantly and rejoice even with joy and singing. [IN OTHER WORDS – desert to botanical garden]
  4. Is. 62:5b – as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so shall your God REJOICE over you. [IN OTHER WORDS – He feels about you the same as a groom who is seeing his bride about to walk down the aisle.]
- B. "Over thee with JOY" = simchah - great joy, gladness, gaiety, pleasure.
- C. "He will joy" = H1523 giyl – to dance, to leap for joy, rejoice even to exultation concerning a person or thing for which we are glad.
- D. "Over thee with singing" = H7440 rinnah - A ringing cry of entreaty or supplication; of proclamation, joy, praise.
- Ps. 30:5 – weeping may last for a night, but JOY comes in the morning.

The Greek equivalent = G21 agalliaō – to rejoice, exult exceedingly, be exceedingly glad.

Vine's: It conveys the idea of jubilant exultation, spiritual "gladness".

- A. Matt. 5:12 (Christ's command to his disciples) – REJOICE, and BE EXCEEDINGLY GLAD: for great is your reward in heaven. (feelings resulting from our reward in heaven)
- B. Lk. 1:47 (Mary's song) - And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord <sup>47</sup>and my spirit REJOICES in God my Savior, <sup>48</sup>for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed. (feelings resulting from God's promise kept and Him forever esteeming her to the nations)
- C. Acts 2:(25)-26 (David said) - "I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. <sup>26</sup>Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue REJOICES; my body also will rest in hope. (feelings resulting from ultimate security)
- D. Acts 16:34 (Philippian jailor) - The jailor brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with JOY because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household. (feelings resulting from his salvation and the salvation of his whole household)
- E. 1 Pet. 1:4, 6, 8 NIV – <sup>4</sup>(God has given us new birth) into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. <sup>6</sup>In all this you greatly REJOICE...<sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious JOY. (feelings resulting from our belief in Jesus and our incorruptible inheritance)
- F. Rev. 19:7 (John's vision of Heaven) - Let us REJOICE and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. (feelings resulting from the culmination of the wedding feast in Heaven)

- I. ONE THING—The One Thing that I'd like to take away from today's class and believe God to accomplish in my life is:

II. MEDITATION

A. Review your class notes from Tuesday.

- Take some time to think about the main ideas of the lesson. If you want to add details to your notes, you'll find the audio message on our website under the Resources tab. ([www.DivineDesignDiscipleship.com](http://www.DivineDesignDiscipleship.com)).
- Which of the scriptures referenced were particularly meaningful to you? Write out those verses below and spend some time studying them this week.

B. Rewrite your One Thing into a prayer, expressing your heart's desire for God to make this truth become your experience.

