# Rejoice Always

<u>Praise & Worship</u>: Rejoice In The Lord Always - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9xQBGh4qD2k">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9xQBGh4qD2k</a>
Psalm 91 (Live) - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8HLIF2Dq57o">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8HLIF2Dq57o</a>

Scripture References: Psalm 91, Habakkuk 3:17-19, Philippians 4:4 1 Thessalonians 5:16

Memory Verses of Power (MVP): Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, I say rejoice. Philippians 4:4

### Scripture summary:

- 1. God loves, protects, and provides for us. (Psalm 91)
- 2. We can always rejoice in God and His love and salvation for us, even when circumstances aren't perfect. (Habakkuk 3:17-19)
- 3. Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, I say rejoice. (Philippians 4:4)
- 4. Rejoice Always (1Thessalonians 5:16)

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### Discussion Thoughts:

- 1. Share some ways God loves, protects, and provides for us. Give examples.
- 2. Why can we rejoice even when life doesn't go as planned?
- 3. Share a good/or bad experience in your life, and tell how you chose to rejoice in it?
- 4. In whom are we to rejoice? When are we to rejoice?

## Encouragement: Rejoice in the Lord always! - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XicQbmXyDHA

God loves, protects, and provides for us in good times and bad. In fact circumstances do not change how God feels about us or how He cares for us. The Bibles says He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. He will always love us and be there for us, during Coronavirus shutdown, time away from church friends and family, summer vacation plan changes, birthday parties, graduations, good report cards, and more. In every stage and area of life God wants us to rejoice. We have air to breath, food to eat, clothes to wear, a place to stay, loving friends and family that care for us, toys, and joy. Every day is a day that the Lord has made, and we can rejoice and be glad in it. Some experiences are great, some not so great. God knows we have different experiences in our lives. He also knows there is always something to learn in every experience to help us to become more like Jesus.

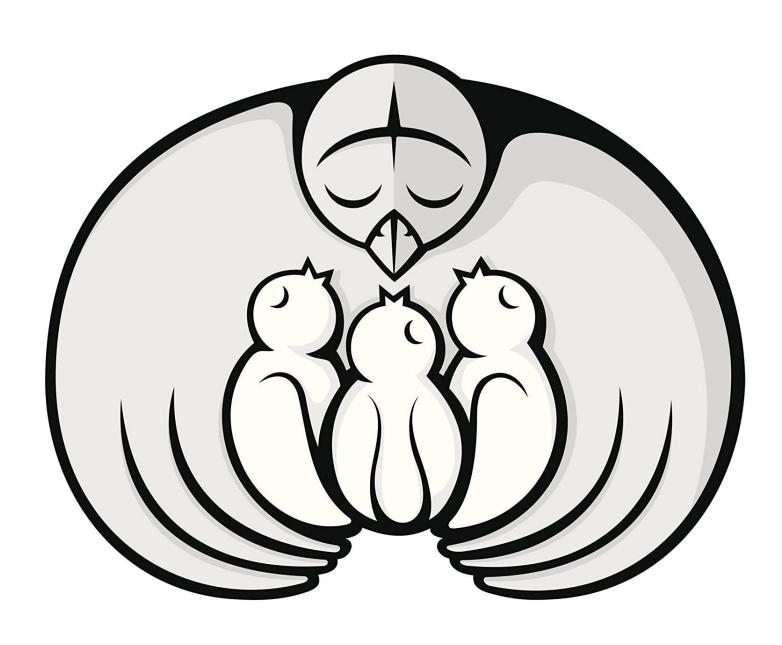
Object Lesson: Choose Joy - Fold 2 pieces of construction paper in half three times. You should have 16 rectangles. Cut the paper on the folds. On 14 of the rectangles write the word "REJOICE with a smiley face on it." On 1 rectangle draw a sad face. On the last rectangle draw a mad face. Takes turns choosing two cards at a time to get a pair of "REJOICE ©" cards. If you choose the sad or mad face card, put it back and mix up the remaining cards. Each time the cards are mixed up is an example of life not going as planned, but we still have an opportunity to choose to rejoice. Continue until all cards have been paired leaving only the sad and mad faced cards left. Play the game several times. We can choose to rejoice.

<u>Prayer</u>: Thank you, Lord for loving, protecting, and providing for me. Thank you for helping me to choose to rejoice in every situation. I love you. In Jesus name, Amen.

He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Psalm 91:1



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With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation." Psalm 91:16



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