

Daily Devotional by Dr. Gloria P. Holmes

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"Gateway to God's Glory in the Midst of the Coronavirus Pandemic"

"JOY"

"These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full." John 15:11

Who does not want joy in his or her life? What about the kind of joy that always remains in our hearts and what about **full** joy? As I write this, my heart is bubbling and bursting. I am full of joy as I reflect on the blessings I have because of my relationship with Jesus. There was a time when I simply read this verse, St. John 15:11, as part of that great **15th** chapter of **St. John**. Not anymore. One day the real meaning of this verse struck me with full force. It happened while I was concentrating on the verses before it and after it, which stated wonderful promises of God such as "ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you." (St. John 15:7) and "you are my friends, if you do whatsoever I command you." (St. John 15:14) Suddenly, the power of verse eleven really hit me, and I praised God for such love.

Think about it for a moment! God loves us so much that He tells us, mere humans, who we are in great truths throughout the Bible. He speaks these things to us so that we may remain full of joy. What a blessing! Even now as I think about it, joy overflows deep in my heart. It causes me to be more determined to study and learn the words God has spoken in His Holy and Divine Word; His words are designed and destined to give me full joy. I don't know about you, but I love the joy the Lord gives. It is joy that the world did not give and the world can't take away. It is Jesus' joy; it is real joy that not only remains in us, but it is joy that is full. His joy is more than enough!


Dear Lord;
Please continue to speak to me so that my joy may remain full through You. Amen!

How will you respond to today's message?
