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### **Christian Character: Joy In Chaos**

**Psalm 28:7** - *The LORD is my strength and shield. I trust him with all my heart. He helps me, and my heart is filled with joy. I burst out in songs of thanksgiving.*

**By Focusing On God's Presence And Promises, Our Joy And Strength Will Increase**

**God Wants Us Content, Despite The Crises We Hear About Or Are Experiencing**

**Psalm 30:5** - *...Weeping may last through the night, but joy comes with the morning.*

**Weeping May Stay For A Night, But The Joy Of The Lord Wants To Move In**

**Joy Can Make A Person Forget His Pain And Limitations**

**We Gain The Ability To Be Steady And Secure**

**Psalm 112:1, 7-8** - *Praise the LORD! How joyful are those who fear the LORD and delight in obeying his commands...<sup>7</sup> They do not fear bad news; they confidently trust the LORD to care for them. <sup>8</sup> They are confident and fearless and can face their foes triumphantly.*

**A Trusting Heart Isn't Easily Shaken By Bad News Or Difficult Circumstances**

**Psalm 112:4** - *Light shines in the darkness for the godly...*

**Romans 15:13** - *I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

**Joy, Hope And Peace Are By-Products Of The Holy Spirit's Work**

**John 15:11** - *I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow!*