



## *How Do You Reclaim Joy in the Word of God?*

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### **1. Read the Psalms: Try reading some of these Psalms to reignite your love for God's Word.**

- **Psalm 23** The LORD is my shepherd. He leads me in paths of righteousness. I will fear no evil. I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.
- **Psalm 121** I lift up my eyes to the hills; my help comes from the LORD. He who keeps you will not slumber. The LORD will keep you from all evil.
- **Psalm 138** I give you thanks, O LORD! All the kings of the earth will praise you. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life.
- **Psalm 62** My soul waits for God alone. He alone is my rock and my salvation. Trust in him at all times, O people. Power and love belong to God.
- **Psalm 46** God is our refuge. We will not fear, though the earth give way. The nations rage, kingdoms fall. "Be still and know that I am God."
- **Psalm 117** Praise the LORD! For great is his love towards us.
- **Psalm 37** Do not be envious of evildoers, for they will fade like the grass. The righteous will inherit the earth. The LORD is their stronghold.
- **Psalm 1** Blessed is the man who does not walk with the wicked, whose delight is in the law of the LORD. He is like a tree planted by the water.
- **Psalm 40** I waited patiently for the LORD. He drew me up from the pit. I delight to do your will, O God. My heart fails me, but you are my help.
- **Psalm 84** How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD! A day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. For the LORD is a sun and shield.

### **2. Read Passages on the Person and Nature of Jesus**

- **Psalm 22** My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?...they have pierced my hands and feet—I can count all my bones—they stare

and gloat over me; they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.

- **Proverbs 8:12-36** By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just; by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly. I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me.
- **Isaiah 53** He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief...But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.
- **John 1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.
- **Philippians 2** Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men...Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name
- **Colossians 1:9-23** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created...For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.
- **Revelation 19:11-16** On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

### 3. Read Passages on the Glory of God

- **Job 38** Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements, surely you know!
- **Isaiah 40** Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance?
- **Revelation 21** I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

### 4. Read Epic Bible Stories in the Old Testament

- **Genesis 37, 39-46** The Life of Joseph

- **Exodus 3** The Burning Bush and the Name of God
- **Exodus 12** The Passover
- **Exodus 14** The Crossing of the Red Sea
- **1 Samuel 16** The Anointing of David the King
- **1 Kings 8** The dedication of the Temple by Solomon
- **1 Kings 17-18** The Miracles of Elijah
- **Job 1-2** The confrontations between God and Satan
- **Ezekiel 37** The dry bone vision of Israel's restoration
- **Daniel 3 & 6** The Fiery Furnace and Daniel in the Lion's Den

## 5. Start a Bible Study Series

- **Choose a Bible Reading Plan**  
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- **Choose a Bible Devotional**  
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