

**The Christmas Advent
Joy For All People
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Key Verse Of The Christmas Advent

The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people." Luke 2:10 NIV

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. Matthew 13:44 NIV

Grab This!

Joy is enthusiasm _____ circumstances.

Key Verse of the Day

Though you have not seen him (Jesus), 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... 1 Peter 1:8 NIV

Key Thought of the Day

_____ in Jesus ought to bring us inexpressible and glorious joy!

The Inexpressible And Glorious Joy Of...

- _____ into a living hope!

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead... 1 Peter 1:3 NIV

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV

I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. Ezekiel 36:26 NIV

Grab This!

Christians experience this joy because Jesus' resurrection _____ our living hope of a new birth.

The Inexpressible And Glorious Joy Of...

- A new _____!

...and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. 1 Peter 1:4a NIV

The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. Romans 8:16-17 NIV

Don't Miss This!

If we are co-heirs with Christ then whatever belongs to Him is _____ to us as well.

Your Inheritance Will Never...

- _____ — The world will one day be destroyed, but your inheritance never will be.
- _____ — Nothing can defile the purity of the inheritance secured for us by Christ. Because our inheritance is found in the purity of His righteousness.
- _____ — Time will not weaken it. It will fully be revealed on the Last Day with certainty and will last forever.

The Inexpressible And Glorious Joy Of...

- The _____ found in God's _____!

This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. 1 Peter 1:4b-5 NIV

Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. Matthew 6:20 NLT

The Inexpressible And Glorious Joy Of...

- God _____!

In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. 1 Peter 1:6-7

Don't Miss This!

Yes, on planet earth you are going to suffer sometimes, but always remember that God has a purpose in the midst of suffering to _____ our faith in Him.

Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they were saying: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!" Revelation 5:11-13

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!" Revelation 7:9-12 NIV

The Bottom Line

Christians know an inexpressible and glorious joy because Christ is faithfully bringing all of his work in our lives to _____.

...you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls. 1 Peter 1:8b-9 NIV

The Challenge

How could you express joy more through your life?