

"Joy is an act of obedience. We are commanded to rejoice in God. If obedience is doing what God commands, then joy is not merely the spin-off of obedience, it is obedience. The Bible tells us over and over to pursue joy."

John Piper, The Duty of Delight

"Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you righteous ones; And shout for joy, all you who are upright in heart."

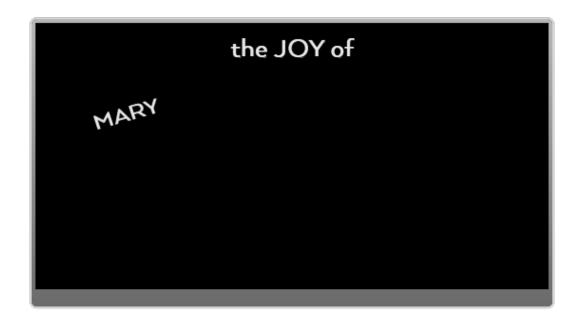
Psalm 32:11

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!"

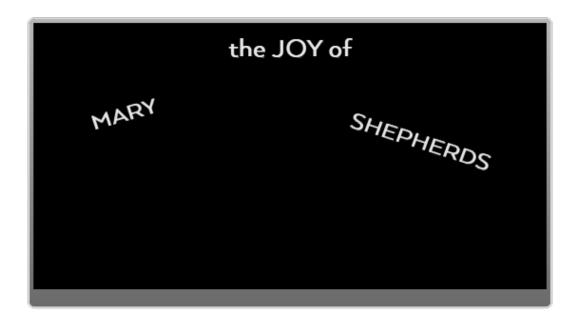
Philippians 4:4

"Joy is the great note all through the Bible. We have the notion of joy that arises from good spirits or good health, but the miracle of the joy of God has nothing to do with a man's life or his circumstances or the condition he is in. Jesus Christ does not come to a man and say 'Cheer up.' He plants within a man the miracle of the joy of God's own nature."

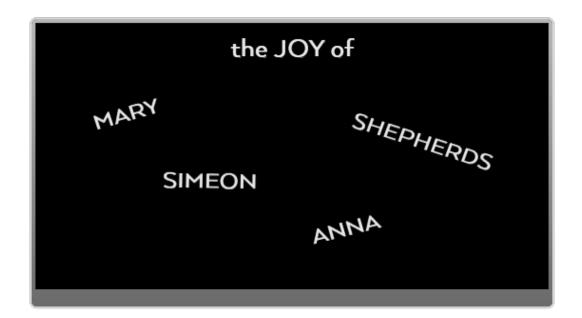
Oswald Chambers





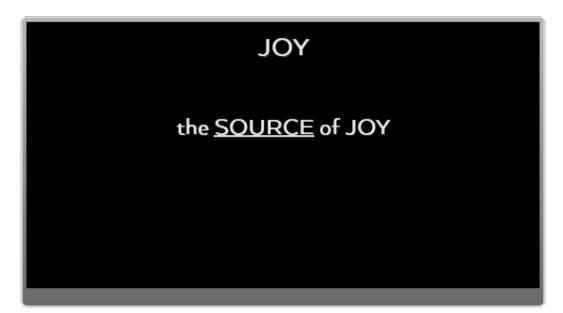












JOY

the $\underline{\mathsf{CHOICE}}$ of JOY

JOY comes from the LORD who lives <u>IN</u> us, NOT from what's happening <u>AROUND</u> us!