

Mt 5:11-12 Happy are you when reviled and persecuted ... joyarise in that day...

Rom 4:6-7 Happy is the one to whom God imputes righteousness

= Psalm 32:1 happy is the one forgiven

Luke 2:10 Stop being afraid, I good message you mega joy

Matt 2:10 wise men joyarised a joy mega + intense

Matt 13:44 kingdom of heaven like treasure hidden in field

Lk 15:7 more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents

Matt 28:8 disciples depart from tomb with fear and mega joy

Jn 3:29 friend of the groom joyarises a joy on account of the voice of the groom

Jn 15:11 Jesus spoke these things that His joy may be in us and our joy may be full

Jn 16:20 our sorrow will be turned into joy

Jn 16:21 woman in labor [is happy in spite of her circumstances because of what lies ahead] ... has joy because a human being has been and remains begotten.

Jn 16:22 I will see you again and your hearts will joy and your joy no one will take from you

Heb 12:2 Jesus the author and finisher of our faith Who for the joy set before Him

Jms 1:2 count it all joy when you meet various trials

B/C God makes all things work together for good,

B/C this momentary light affliction is working for us.

Philippians 4:4 joyarise by means of the Lord, again I will say, joyarise ... the Lord is near.

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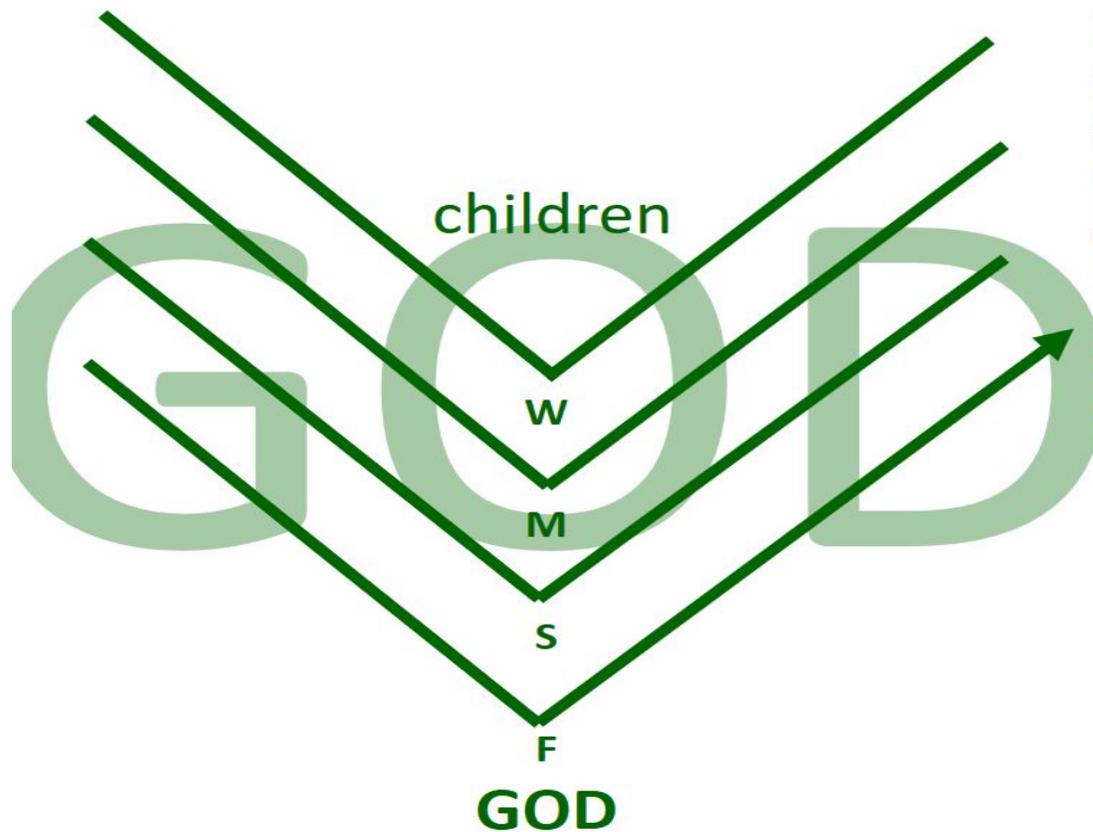
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In the kingdom of God BLESSEDNESS based on JOY produces HAPPINESS



doing something real that
someone else really needs
= bearing something weighty
pushes you down and into
something even weightier.

What if we only feed our bodies if
we were also feeding our soul?
What if we only ate when we were
feeding someone else?

Is forgiveness all there is to the good news or the tip of the iceberg?

1. **Forgiveness** of all wrong for all from before the creation of the world = when we express forgiveness we are confirming that it has been and remains accomplished, we are not making it happen.
2. **Adoption** – according to our human nature, God adopts us as His own, even though our nature is corrupted to be always, only, entirely rebellious against Him and the rest of our human family.
3. **Atonement** - covers us with the perfect life of Christ; everything we think, say, and do (or fail to) takes place under this canopy of grace.
4. **Imputes** the perfect life of Christ to us – all our debt transferred to Him, all His wealth transferred to us; you see this happen when Barabbas is released and Jesus is crucified.
5. **Regenerates** our soul so that it has the mind of Christ and Spirit of God; this essence of our person never does wrong, never dies (in time or eternity).
6. **Energizes** us with His Word; continually regenerating and moving us according to His will.
7. **Making all thing work together for our good** = all aspects of nature work to impress upon us our disabilities, inabilities, and complete dependence on God, by natural and special revelation; sooner or later, one way or another, God's creation and redeeming activity draw us back into His providential, saving work.
8. **Sacraments** are God's promises joined to universal physical elements confirming God's saving work in our lives, objectively, as often as beneficial
9. Good works are **God's work in us**, the inevitable fruit of having been given everything by God and as evidence of joy
10. Judgment day is no longer a threat but a fulfillment and a blessing; Jesus calls it "the **resurrection to life.**"
11. Resurrection **returns a physical nature to our person, a perfect everlasting body**, like the resurrected Jesus, which will live in paradise in the new heaven and earth
12. **Jesus** as eternal **high priest advocating** for us.
13. **Holy Spirit** interceding for us and **calling alongside** of us.