**Proverbs 17:22**

***A merry (glad, gleeful and joyful) heart doeth good like a medicine (a healing or a cure)… (KJV)***

**John 15:1-11 (KJV)**

***1 I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.***

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***2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.***

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***3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.***

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***4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.***

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***5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.***

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***6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.***

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***7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.***

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***8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.***

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***9 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.***

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***10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.***

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***11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. (KJV)***

Joy - ***“chara”*** (Khar-ah) ***“cheerfulness, calm delight; gladness and exceeding joyfulness.”***

***Psalm 26:1-3***

***1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.***

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***2 Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."***

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***3 The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad. (ESV)***

***“It is a spiritual impossibility to be joy-filled and disobedient at the same time.”***

***John 15:11***

***These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. (KJV)***

***Nehemiah 8:10***

***...do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength. (ESV)***

***James 1:2-4***

***2 Consider it wholly joyful, my brethren, whenever you are enveloped in or encounter trials of any sort or fall into various temptations.***

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***3 Be assured and understand that the trial and proving of your faith bring out endurance and steadfastness and patience.***

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***4 But let endurance and steadfastness and patience have full play and do a thorough work, so that you may be [people] perfectly and fully developed [with no defects], lacking in nothing. (AMPC)***