

HLCA Bible Memory 2021-2022

Theme: "The Joy of the Lord is my Strength"

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September – Joy in Revival – Nehemiah 8:4-10

Sept 1-3 - ⁴ Ezra the teacher of the Law stood on a high wooden platform built for the occasion. Beside him on his right stood *6 helpers*; and on his left were *6 more*.

Sept 7-10 - ⁵ Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up. ⁶ Ezra praised the LORD, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, "Amen! Amen!" Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

Sept 13-17 - ⁷ The Levites - - instructed the people in the Law while the people were standing there. ⁸ They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clear^[a] and giving the meaning so that the people understood what was being read.

Sept 20-24 - ⁹ Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and teacher of the Law, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, "This day is holy to the LORD your God. Do not mourn or weep." For all the people had been weeping as they listened to the words of the Law.

Sept 27- Oct 1 - ¹⁰ Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

October – Joy in Creation – Job 38:4-11

Oct 4-6 - ⁴ "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation?
Tell me, if you understand.

Oct 12-15 - ⁵ Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know!
Who stretched a measuring line across it?

⁶ On what were its footings set,
or who laid its cornerstone—

⁷ while the morning stars sang together
and all the angels^[a] shouted for joy?

Oct 18- 22 - ⁸“Who shut up the sea behind doors
when it burst forth from the womb,
⁹when I made the clouds its garment
and wrapped it in thick darkness,

Oct 25- 29 - ¹⁰when I fixed limits for it
and set its doors and bars in place,
¹¹when I said, ‘This far you may come and no farther;
here is where your proud waves halt’?

November – Joy in God’s Presence – Psalm 16:5-11

Nov 1-5 –⁵ LORD, you alone are my portion and my cup;
you make my lot secure.
⁶The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
surely I have a delightful inheritance.

Nov 8-12 - ⁷I will praise the LORD, who counsels me;
even at night my heart instructs me.
⁸I keep my eyes always on the LORD.
With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Nov 15-19 - ⁹Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest secure,
¹⁰because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,
nor will you let your faithful^[a] one see decay.

Nov 22-26 - ¹¹You make known to me the path of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence,
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

December – Joy at the Incarnation – Luke 2:8-19

Nov 29- Dec 3 - ⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.¹⁰ But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.

Dec 6 - 10 - ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”
¹³Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,¹⁴“Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

Dec 13-17 - ¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."

(optional for younger grades) ¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

January – Joy in Suffering – Philippians 1:3-11

Jan 5-7 - ³ I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy

Jan 10-14 - ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Jan 17-21 - ⁷ It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me. ⁸ God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

⁹ And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight,

Jan 24-28 - ¹⁰ so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

February – Joy in Trials – James 1:2-10

Jan 31 – Feb 4 - ² Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,^[a] whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. ⁴ Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Feb 7-11 - ⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. ⁶ But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind.

Feb 14 – 25 - ⁷ That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. ⁸ Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do.

Feb 28- Mar 4 - ⁹ Believers in humble circumstances ought to take pride in their high position. ¹⁰ But the rich should take pride in their humiliation—since they will pass away like a wild flower.

March – Joy in Relationships – Romans 12:9-18

Mar 7 – 11 - ⁹ Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰ Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

Mar 14 -18 - ¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. ¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. ¹³ Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

Mar 21 – 25 - ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position.^[a] Do not be conceited.

Mar 28 – Apr 1 - ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. ¹⁸ If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

April – Joy in Giving – Philippians 4:4-13

Apr 4-8 ⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Apr 11-14 - ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

Apr 25-29 ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. ¹⁰ I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it.

May 2-6 ¹¹ I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

May - Joy in Praising God – Psalm 96

May 9-13 - ¹ Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.

² Sing to the LORD, praise his name;
proclaim his salvation day after day.

³ Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

May 16-20 - ⁴ For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
he is to be feared above all gods.

⁵ For all the gods of the nations are idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.

⁶ Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

May 24-27 - ⁷ Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

⁸ Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come into his courts.

⁹ Worship the LORD in the splendor of his^[a] holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth.

May 30- Jun 3 - ¹⁰ Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns."
The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity.

¹¹ Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.

Jun 6-10 - ¹² Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;
let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

¹³ Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes,
he comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples in his faithfulness.