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A Joyous Salvation

1 Peter 1:6-9

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In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

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and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls.

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Cause for Joy

1 Peter 1:6

In this you **greatly rejoice**,

- “In this” refers to the **Joy of Salvation** “kept in **heaven for you**”. (1 Peter 1:3-5).
- “greatly rejoice” Gr. ä-gäl-lē-ä'-ō present imperative (rejoice greatly).
- **Joy** is the main emphasis of this passage!
- Joy occurs 183 times in 170 verses in the NASB.

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Tested by Trials

1 Peter 1:6b

...even though now for a little while, **if necessary**, you have been **distressed** by various trials,

- **James 1:2** Consider it all **joy**, my brethren, when you encounter various **trials**,
- If necessary...

Trials **strengthen weaknesses** (2 Cor. 12:9)

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Faith More Precious Than Gold

1 Peter 1:7

...so that the proof of your **faith, being more precious than gold** which is perishable, even though tested by fire,

- Gold as a standard
- Faith more precious than gold
- **James 5:3** Your gold and your silver have rusted; and their rust will be a witness against you and will consume your flesh like fire.

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Faith Tested by Fire

1 Peter 1:18

knowing that you were not redeemed with **perishable things** like **silver** or **gold** from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers,

- “Even though tested by fire” 1:7
- **If** ...Gold is purified by fire
- **Then**...much **more our faith** should be tested!

Reason for testing our faith:

- **1 Peter 1:9** obtaining as the **outcome of your faith** the **salvation** of your souls.

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Trials Result in Praise

1 Peter 1:7b

...may be found to result in **praise and glory and honor** at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

- The praise, and glory and honor, in this passage, has to do with **you!** God gives **you** praise and glory and honor.
- **1 Peter 2:20b** ...if when you do what is right and suffer for it you patiently endure it, this **finds favor with God.**

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Believe by Faith

1 Peter 1:8

and though **you have not seen Him**, you love Him, and though **you do not see Him now**, but believe in Him

- Peter saw the Lord in person
- His readers did not
- **Yet they believed in Him**
- **Peter was celebrating their faith**
- Peter was humbled that they believed God, without seeing Him

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1 Peter 1:8-9

though you have not seen Him, 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, for you are receiving	
the goal of your faith,		the salvation of your souls.

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Glorious Joy

1 Peter 1:8b
“...you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,

- The word “inexpressible” depicts shouting for joy that cannot be contained.
- “Inexpressible” is used nowhere else in the New Testament.
- “Glory” signifies that which continues to be glorified.

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Reason for Joy

1 Peter 1:9
obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls.

To obtain:

- Gr. *Komizō* “to obtain something that is due to a person.”
- Only through the work of Christ the believer obtains salvation and as a result, Joy.
- The Salvation of your souls is the outcome of Faith.

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