



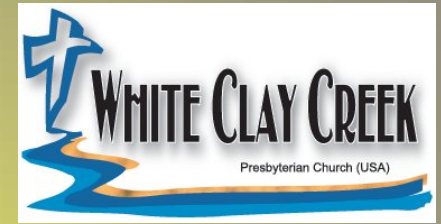
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The image features a monochromatic teal color palette. It depicts a series of mountain ranges receding into the distance, creating a sense of depth through atmospheric perspective. The text 'Celebrating the Sabbath' is centered horizontally and underlined with a white line.

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REST

A close-up photograph of a field of lavender flowers. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, with some showing their characteristic purple color and others appearing as buds. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green, suggesting a healthy, growing field. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

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REDEMPTION

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RELATIONSHIP



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A person wearing a white jumpsuit is captured in mid-air, jumping joyfully with their arms raised high. The background is a dramatic sunset or sunrise over a body of water, with a golden glow and scattered clouds. The overall mood is one of celebration and freedom.

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JOY of the Lord is
my STRENGTH!

Nehemiah 8.10

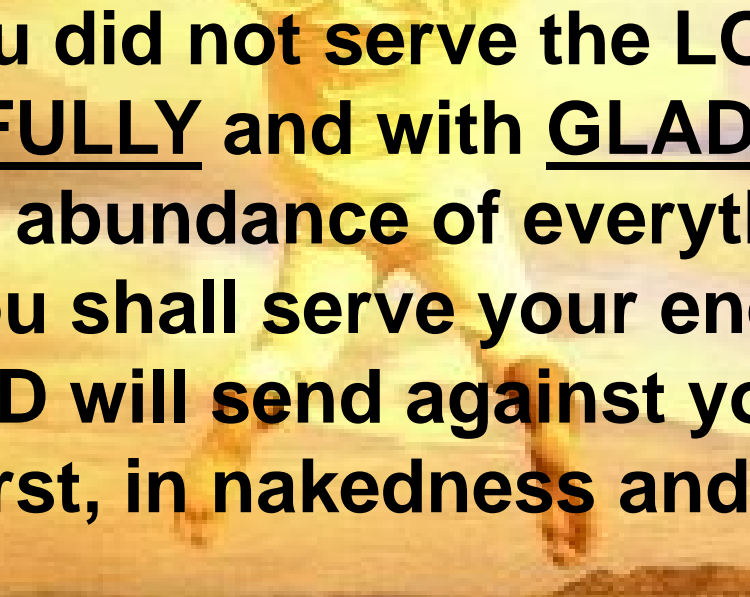


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Deuteronomy 28

Strength

A person is shown from behind, standing in a vast, arid desert landscape. Their arms are raised high in the air, and they appear to be in a state of joy or praise. The background is a bright, hazy sky with a warm, golden light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The ground is dry and sandy.

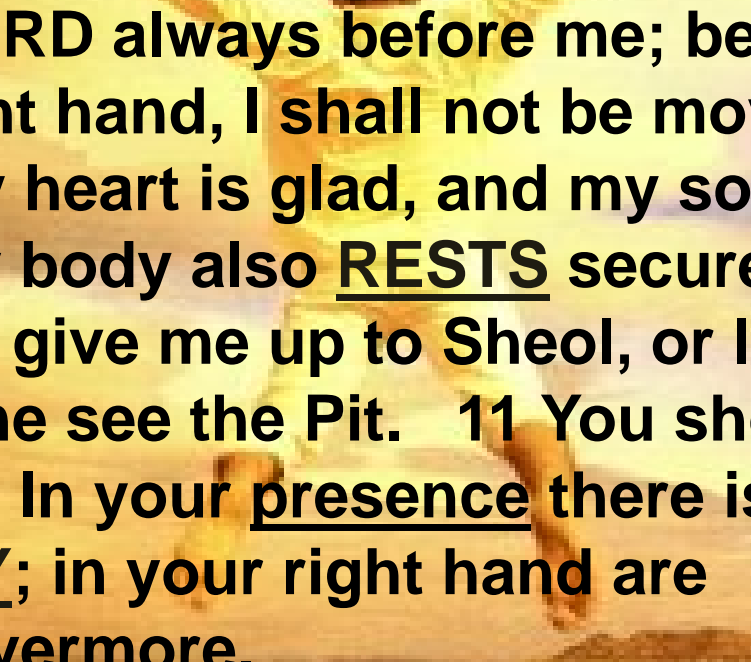
47 Because you did not serve the LORD
your God JOYFULLY and with GLADNESS
of heart for the abundance of everything,
48 therefore you shall serve your enemies
whom the LORD will send against you, in
hunger and thirst, in nakedness and lack
of everything.

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Psalm 16

Strength

A person is seen from behind, standing in a vast, arid desert landscape. Their arms are raised high in the air, and they appear to be in a state of joy or praise. The background is a dramatic sunset or sunrise, with a bright orange and yellow glow on the horizon and a darker, hazy sky above. The overall mood is one of spiritual celebration and strength.

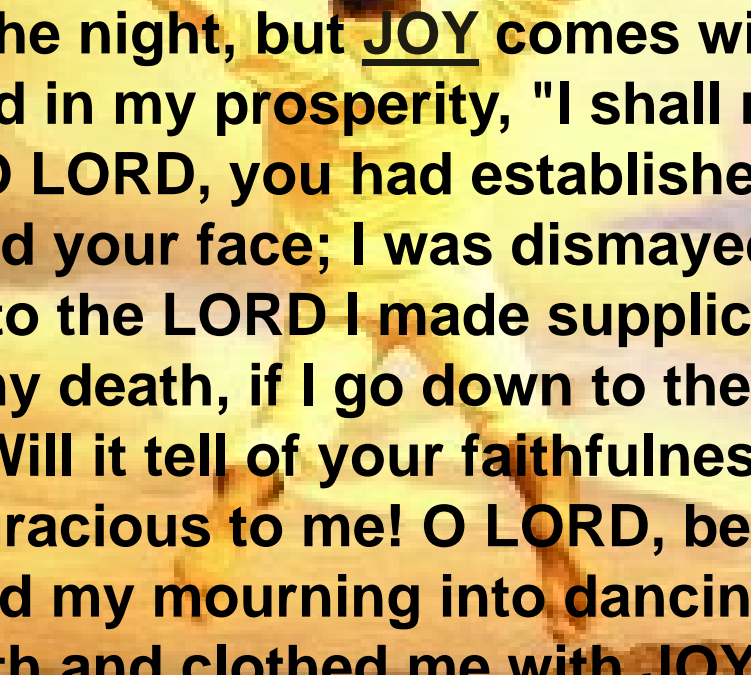
8 I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. 9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul REJOICES; my body also RESTS secure. 10 For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit. 11 You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of JOY; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

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Psalm 30

Strength



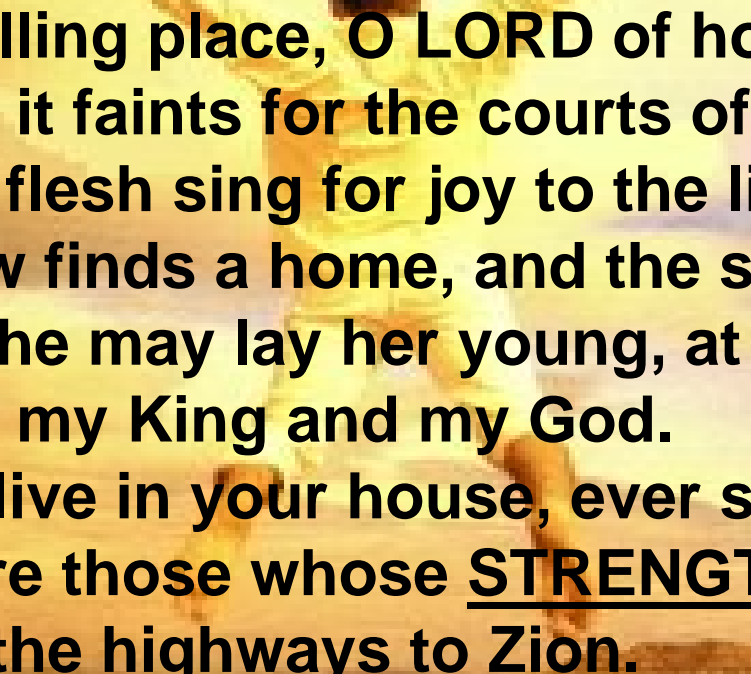
5 Weeping may linger for the night, but JOY comes with the morning. 6 As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved." 7 By your favor, O LORD, you had established me as a STRONG mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed. 8 To you, O LORD, I cried, and to the LORD I made supplication: 9 "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness? 10 Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me! O LORD, be my helper!" 11 You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with JOY, 12 so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

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Psalm 84

Strength

A person is seen from behind, standing in a vast, sandy desert landscape. Their arms are raised high in the air, palms facing forward, in a gesture of praise or joy. The background is a bright, hazy sky with a warm, golden light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is one of spiritual freedom and celebration.

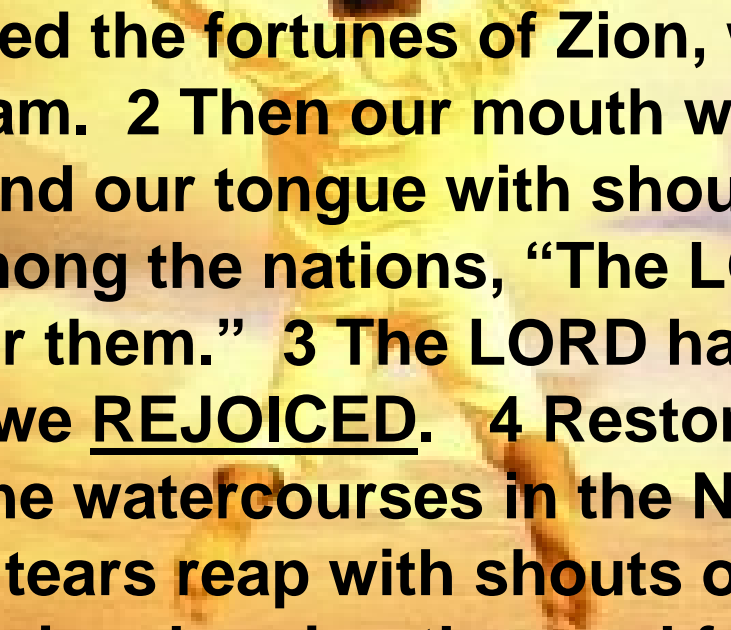
1 How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
2 My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.
3 Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
4 Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.
5 HAPPY are those whose STRENGTH is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

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Psalm 126

Strength



1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. **2** Then our mouth was filled with LAUGHTER, and our tongue with shouts of JOY; then it was said among the nations, “The LORD has done great things for them.” **3** The LORD has done great things for us, and we REJOICED. **4** Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb. **5** May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of JOY. **6** Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of JOY, carrying their sheaves.

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Isaiah 12

Strength

2 Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the LORD GOD is my STRENGTH and my MIGHT; he has become my salvation. 3 With JOY you will draw water from the wells of salvation. 4 And you will say in that day: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted. 5 Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth. 6 Shout aloud and sing for JOY, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

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Isaiah 29

Strength

19 The meek shall obtain fresh JOY in the LORD, and the neediest people shall EXULT in the Holy One of Israel.



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SALVATION



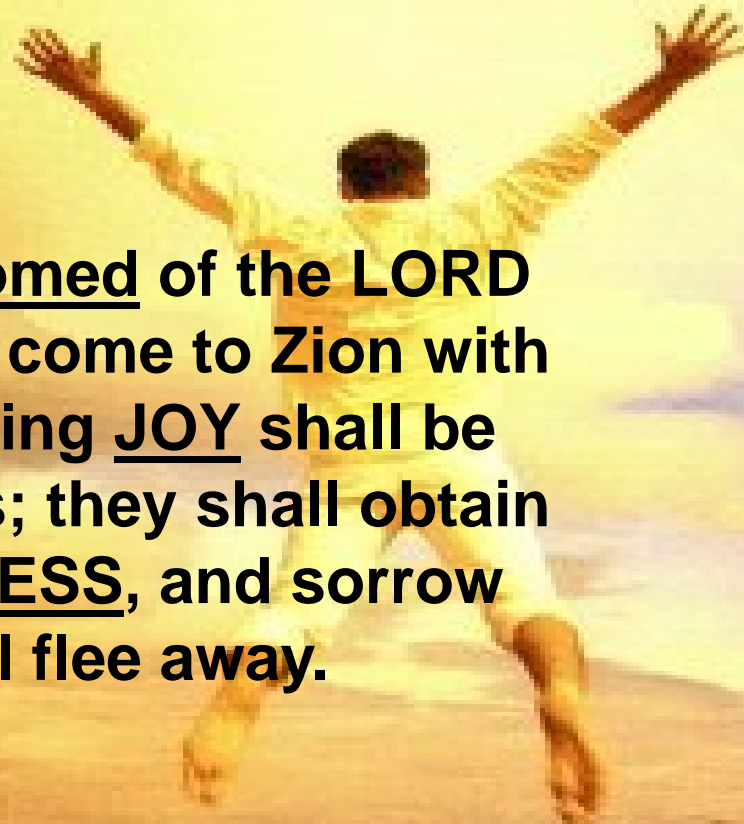
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Isaiah 35

Salvation

10 And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting JOY shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain JOY and GLADNESS, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.



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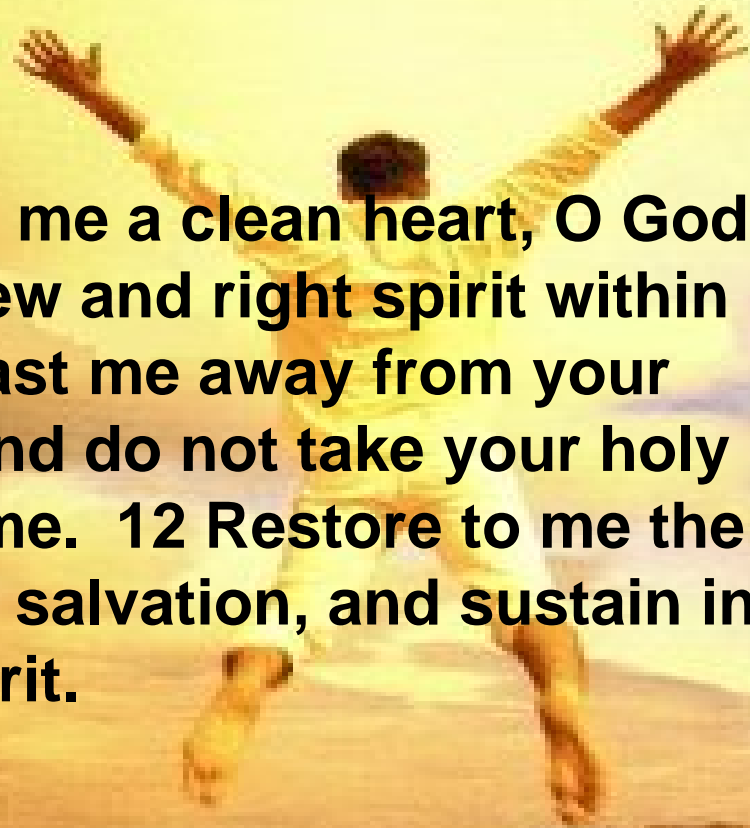
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Psalm 51

Salvation

**10 Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.**

**11 Do not cast me away from your
presence, and do not take your holy
spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the
JOY of your salvation, and sustain in me
a willing spirit.**



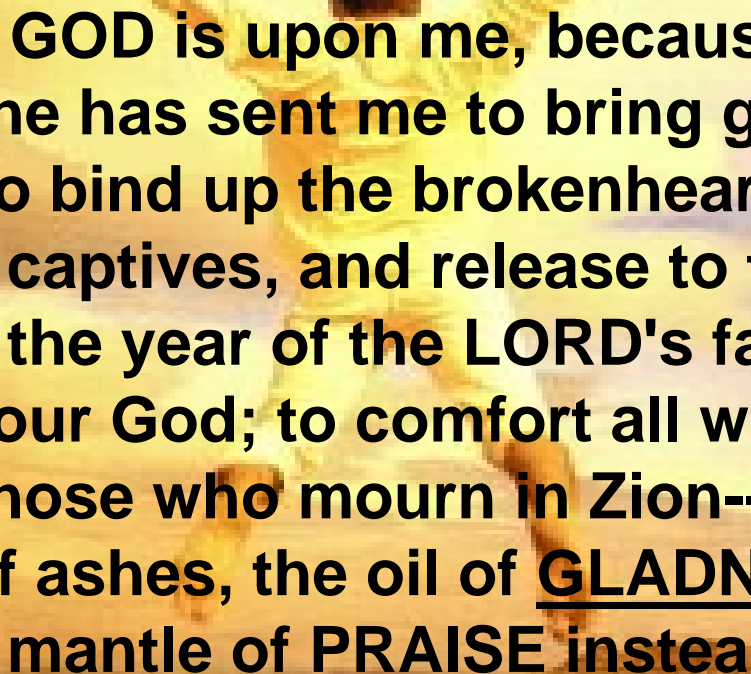
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Isaiah 61

Salvation

1:1 The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; 2 to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; 3 to provide for those who mourn in Zion-- to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of GLADNESS instead of mourning, the mantle of PRAISE instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.



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Isaiah 61

Salvation

4 They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. 6 but you shall be called priests of the LORD, you shall be named ministers of our God; you shall ENJOY the wealth of the nations, and in their riches you shall glory. 7 Because their shame was double, and dishonor was proclaimed as their lot, therefore they shall possess a double portion; everlasting JOY shall be theirs.

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Luke 2

Salvation

10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-- I am bringing you good news of great JOY for all the people:

11 to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. 12 This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger."

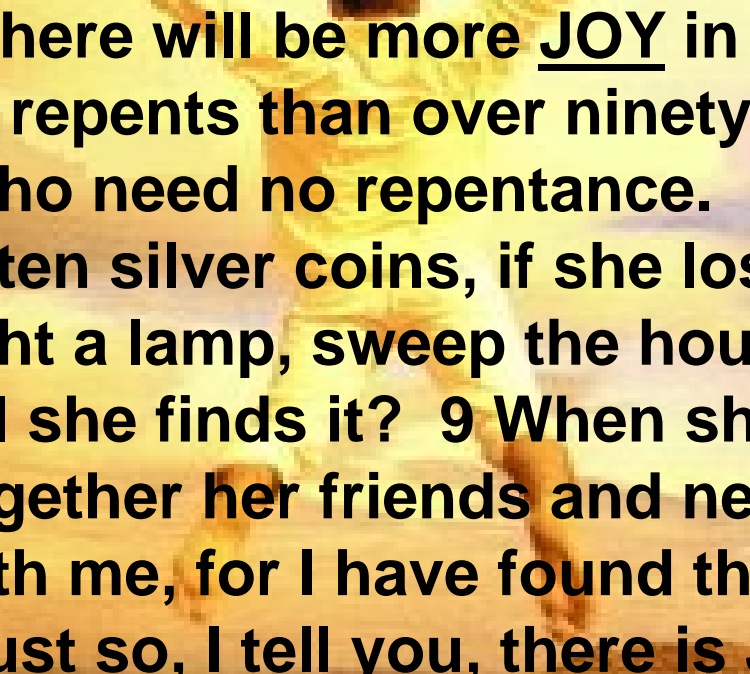
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Luke 15

Salvation

7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more JOY in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. 8 "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? 9 When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'REJOICE with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' 10 Just so, I tell you, there is JOY in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."



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Hebrews 12

Salvation

1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

2 looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the JOY that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Hebrews 12

Strength and Salvation

Jesus is our JOY

because

We became his JOY

