

## **JOY -- WE ARE ONE HAPPY PEOPLE!**

Journey – Songs for the Road (5)

Psalm 126

### **We laughed, we sang!**

- For the Return (v.1-2) God's power, faithfulness & reputation! JOY!!
- We ARE glad!! (v,3) Present gladness has a past and a **FUTURE** \_\_\_\_\_
- For those still coming (v.4- 6) Areas that still need to be turned around.
  - Sowing and
  - Seeds and
  - Tears and JOY!

### **What's happened to your joy?**

- What is "Joy?" Unimagined **TURN** \_\_\_\_\_, unexpected **GRACE** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Joy is a reflection of God Himself.**

It's who He is—Gen1:12, 18, 21, 25, 31

It's His intent for those in His image.

### **Joy is a response to His **WORK** \_\_\_\_\_.**

An authentic not for those on pilgrimage.

2<sup>nd</sup> **FRUIT OF SPIRIT** \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> result of Jesus' **MIRACLES** \_\_\_\_\_

Joy is not a requirement, but a **CONSEQUENCE** \_\_\_\_\_

Joy is **GOD'S** \_\_\_\_\_ work in progress, too.

### **How can you learn to laugh and sing?**

- Begin **NOW** \_\_\_\_\_
- Find a joy- **MENTOR** \_\_\_\_\_
- Set aside a day each week to **CELEBRATE** \_\_\_\_\_
- **DISCIPLINE YOUR MIND** \_\_\_\_\_ to view your life from the eternal perspective.

## **Bible Reading: Psalm 126**

- <sup>1</sup> When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,  
we were like those who dream.
- <sup>2</sup> 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."
- <sup>3</sup> The LORD has done great things for us;  
we are glad.
- <sup>4</sup> Restore our fortunes, O LORD,  
like streams in the Negeb!
- <sup>5</sup> Those who sow in tears  
shall reap with shouts of joy!
- <sup>6</sup> He who goes out weeping,  
bearing the seed for sowing,  
shall come home with shouts of joy,  
bringing his sheaves with him.