## WHERE IS YOUR FULLNESS OF JOY?

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Where is your fullness of joy? Yeshua promised fullness of joy, where is it? I want you to think of when Yeshua told his disciples he desired his fullness of joy to be in them – and he desires it to be full within you. I want you to consider the following verse in John 15:11b.

"That my joy be in you, and your joy may be filled." John 15:11b<sup>1</sup>

Yeshua said that he wants his joy in you, and he means it. Why? Because Isaiah 55:11 says our Elohim's word will not return to him void but will accomplish that which it was sent to do.

## COMPLETE JOY REQUIRES ANSWERED PRAYERS

Beloved ones, Yeshua really does want his joy in you. But did you realize he gave information about how that fullness of joy would happen or what it would look like? Consider the following verse in John 16:24.

"Until now, you have not asked for anything from me. Ask, and it is given to you *in order that your joy is complete*." John 16:241. (emphasis mine)

Wait! Did you see it? He said to ask, <u>then you shall receive</u>, <u>and then your joy is complete</u>! So, the completeness of joy is dependent upon you receiving answered prayers; the very joy that Yeshua said he desires to be in you! But keep in mind, we are to not ask according to our lustful desires but according to his desire (1 John 5:14-15). What are some of his desires for you? He desires your healing, your deliverance, and he desires you to know Yeshua who redeemed you from destruction.

## ASK, SEEK, KNOCK

Next consider the verses in Matthew 7:7-11 when Yeshua said we are to ask and receive.

"Ask and it shall be given to you, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened to you. "For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it shall be opened. "Or is there a man among you who, if his son asks for bread, shall give him a stone? "Or if he asks for a fish, shall he give him a snake? "If you then, being wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Father who is in the heavens give what is good to those who ask Him!" TS2009 Matthew 7:7-11.

Matthew 7:7-11 above is a translation of the Greek. However, I want you to consider the Hebrew Matthew from the Cambridge Cochin manuscripts.

וכל מי ששאל לקח וכל מי שבקש מצא וכל מי שנקש נפתח "And everyone/all who ask, receives, and everyone/all who seeks\* finds, and everyone/all who knocks it is opened." Matthew 7:8 (emphasis mine)

\*Note: שַקש (bakesh) is an imperative, meaning to seeks to find, require, desire, exact, request, inquire, demands

Three times Yeshua said, וכל, וכל, וכל, וכל, יוכל (vekol, vekol). Each time Yeshua is saying, "and all", "and all", "and all"; or better translated "and everyone".

## PRAY, PRAY, AND PRAY SOME MORE

Where is your fullness of joy, brothers and sisters? Are you asking? Secondly, are you asking according to his promises specified in his word? Thirdly, are you spending time in prayer? Or is your prayer time during a 15-minute commute to work? I encourage you to put emphasis on your prayer time for asking, seeking, and knocking. Set aside time specifically for prayer. Read scripture out loud during your prayer time and remind our Elohim of his word over and over, if you must (Isa 43:26). He desires a relationship with us.² But keep in mind that the fullness of joy Yeshua desires to be in us comes with Yehovah granting your prayer requests. But if you are not asking, then you may not receive. So, be encouraged and ask so that Yeshua's joy is complete in you through your answered prayers! Time is running out and Yeshua is coming sooner than you think!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Quotation taken from the Cochin Hebrew MS Oo.1.32.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> God desires a relationship with us. website: openbible.info. Link: What Does the Bible Say About God Desires A Relationship With Us? (openbible.info)