God's Answer To Discouragement

How To Have Overcoming Joy

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Sources Of Joy In The Believer:

- Believing In God
- The Lord
- A Fruit Of The Spirit
- The Move Of God
- Seeing Salvations
- Discipling Others
- Interaction With Other Believers
- Ministry To Other Believers
- Ministry Of Other Believers
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Kingdom Joy Is A Higher Level Of Joy:

0 (Rom 14:17 NIV) For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit,
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0 Joy Comes To Those Who Are Obedient: To God -- To God’s Word -- To God’s Principles

0 (John 15:10-11 NIV) *If you obey my commands*, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. (11) *I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.*

0 A Life Of Obedience Is A Prerequisite Of Joy
0 Joy Is The Byproduct Of Obedience
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God Has An Answer For Discouragement

God's Answer For Discouragement Is

The Way Out
The Way Over
The Way Through
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Discouraged = Without Courage

Courage = Facing Danger And Difficulty With Firmness, Bravery And Faith
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- Faith = The Essential Component Of Courage
- Courage Doesn't Leave During A Difficult Time
- Discouragement = An Inability To Meet Danger Or Difficulty With Firmness Or Assurance
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*David's Life Teaches Us About Courage:*

- Courage Is Essential When Facing Danger Or Difficulty
- Courage Is Essential When Facing An Unknown Future
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- We Must Respond In Faith And Courage Rather Than In Fear And Discouragement

- READ: Psalm 27 (How David Kept From Being Discouraged)
How To Get Through The Difficulties In Life Without Being Discouraged

1. Let God Be Your Stronghold
2. Be Confident Of God's Protection
3. Seek God's Presence And God's House
4. Praise The Lord
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5. Spend Time In Prayer

How You Should Pray:

- Admit Your Need
- Ask God For Help
- Ask In Faith He Will Hear -- He Cares
- Allow God To Teach You
- Pray For The Lord's Goodness
- As You Pray -- Be Filled With Faith
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6. Wait On The Lord's Answer

(Isa 40:31 NIV) but those who wait upon the LORD will renew their strength. They will mount up with wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.
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