## PEACE & JOY IN THE HOLY GHOST

The Spirit Of A Man Will Sustain His Infirmity

- I. Fear/sorrow/anger/troubled heart affect the spirit-Pr15:13-A merry heart makes a cheerful countenance: but <u>BY</u> sorrow [worry, anger, vex-irritate, agitate] of the heart the spirit is broken [strike, wounded, <u>weaken</u>, <u>impair</u>]-CEB-A <u>TROUBLED</u> heart breaks the spirit
- II. With a broken spirit you don't stand a chance in life-Pr18:14-The spirit of a man will sustain [bear] his <u>infirmity</u> [unsound state of body, weakness of mind/resolution] but a wounded [Pr15:13] spirit who can bear-AC-Strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble-MS-Healthy spirit conquers adversity but what can you do when the spirit is crushed
  - A. When body, mind, resolution are weak, the spirit carries you-**Pr18:14-NIRV**-You can't keep going if you have a broken spirit-**Pr24:10-**Thy strength is small
    - 1. NOT God-Man's spirit sustains his infirmity-God strengthens the spirit
    - 2. Many haven't placed enough emphasis on us being strong-God is strong
  - B. <u>We operate out of our spirits-Believe</u>, fight, persevere from inside out-**Pr4:23-NIV**-Guard your heart for everything you do flows from it-**Mt12:35,Mt15:19** 
    - 1. Being busted up in your spirit affects the output-Like the body
  - C. <u>Fear/sorrow/anger break the spirit</u>-They target the spirit not the mood
  - D. Not harmless emotions-Deadly forces NOT to be toyed with-Ph4:4,6,1:28, Ep4:31
  - E. <u>Wants to break the spirit so you can't function spiritually</u>-Js4:7,2Tm2:21
- III. The care of my spirit is high priority-Pr4:20-Attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.<sup>21</sup>Let them not depart from your eyes; keep them in the midst of your heart.<sup>22</sup>For they are <u>LIFE</u> (Strong, quicken-A.Heb-Stomach empty, one is weak then filled and revived) unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.<sup>23</sup>Keep thy heart with all diligence for out of it are the issues of life-TP-Pay attention to the welfare of your innermost being
  - A. <u>Guard you heart from is being troubled</u>-With fear, anger, sorrow-Jn14:27
  - B. <u>Feeling them isn't the problem</u>-Letting them in you is the problem-Pr12:25
  - C. <u>When you yield/practice these they settle down on you and get in you</u>-Watch about being upset about something all the time-**Ec7:9**-Anger [vexationirritation, agitation; grief, sorrow] rests in the bosom of fools
  - D. If you feel them you don't have to just let them sit upon-Ec11:10-Remove sorrow from thy heart-Jn14:27, Ep4:31, P37:8, Ph4:4, 6, 1Sm30:6, Ps56:3, 42:5
  - E. <u>His Words will be life, joy, strength to your spirit</u>-**Jr15:16**-Thy words were found and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart
- IV. If sorrow breaks the spirit, joy ministers life and strength to your spirit Pr15:13-By sorrow of heart the spirit is broken-Neh8:10-The joy of the Lord is your strength
  - A. <u>Quickened inside</u>-Ep3:16-Strengthened with might by His spirit in the inner man
  - B. <u>Choosing to rejoice ministers strength to the spirit</u>-Enabling you to be the indominable being that presses on and overcomes-2Co4:7-We are troubled on every side yet not distressed; we are perplexed but not in despair; Persecuted but not forsaken; cast down but not destroyed-Ph4:13-2Co6:10-As sorrowful yet always rejoicing; Pr12:25-WY-Mourning in the heart of a righteous person shall make him weak-Ps119:28-TP-My life's strength melts away from grief and sadness-NIRV-My sadness has worn me out

C. In adversity 1 of the worst things you can do is be sad/mad/afraid-Pr15:13-MS-A sad heart makes it hard to get through the day-Js1:2-Count it all joy