



When Joy is Missing

Psalms 42:5 "Why are you in despair, O my soul?"

- CEB: Why are you so depressed...why are you so upset inside?
- ESV: Why are you cast down, O my soul and why are you in turmoil within me?
- Peterson: Why are you down in the dumps, dear soul? Why are you crying the blues?

When the joy is missing, I'm _____ out.

The journey seems _____ and _____ without joy.

We are good at _____ and _____

Two Important Ideas:

(1) The NT is written from _____ to _____ (2 Tim 3:16)
- there are tidbits from Paul: w _____, w _____, b _____

(2) Salvation is not based upon _____
Salvation is a _____ with the Lord, not a _____

Why are there times when I do not feel saved?

1. When I have not been _____ my _____ (Mt 4:4; Ps 42:4 I _____ to...)
2. When I have not _____ my _____ to God (1 Jn 1:9)
Ps 51:12 Restore to me the _____ of Your salvation
3. When I carry _____ (Heb 12:1-2)

What to do when I do not feel saved? (from 1 John)

Know that I have been _____ (2:12)

Know that I am _____ with the Lord (2:6)

Keeping _____ (2:3-5)

C _____ to Christ (3:2-3)

Walking _____ from the _____
(2:15-17)

Know that I _____ God (5:13)

Blessed Assurance

