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More Thoughts on Finding Joy...

Psalms 1:2 says that the man who is blessed is the man who delights in God's Word, meditating upon it both day and night. Delight and joy are very closely linked words when we see them in The Word of God. When our desires line up with The Word (yes, when His desires become our desires) we become delighted in Him. We begin to 'see' with our spiritual eyes the glory of God through the revelation of Jesus in Scripture (The Gospel, and what sacrifice was given for our reconciliation unto God) But we mustn't lose sight of the fact that none of this joy/delight/being blessed/desire/seeing eyes comes without God opening our eyes and changing our hearts. It's not through our efforts (though it does require effort, in fact it requires spiritual warfare daily to walk in the joy of The Lord and to delight in Him and His Word both day and night.) it's by His sovereign Grace., but He delights to give these good gifts to His children.

Delight means to affect with great pleasure. The unfolding of God's Word to the heart of a man who is a sinner, saved and humbled by God's Grace and Jesus' sacrifice brings tremendous pleasure and joy...Joy really that's unspeakable, I mean, how do you put into words how it makes the heart feel to understand that which was once hidden but has been freely opened to someone so undeserving? I can't, but I can give thanks and offer praise, I can tell of His great love to all who will listen, I can encourage fellow believers to do the same.

The Joy of The LORD is my strength...

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