

Colossians Series

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**COLOSSIANS:
Jesus Christ is All Sufficient**

**Joy and Peace
in Adversity
Colossians 1:24**

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ἀνταναπληρόω *antanaplēroō*
(*anti, ana, plēroō*)

pres act indic 1 sing

to fill up on one's part, to

θλίψις *thlipsis*

gen fem plur

trouble, tribulation,
oppression, affliction,
distress

*Never used of the redemptive
suffering of Christ.

ὑστέρημα (*hysterēma*),
need want deficiency lack

πάθημα *pathēma*

from *pascho i.e.*, the passion
of Christ

nom neut plur

suffering;

used of both the redemptive
suffering of Christ on the
cross; and the non-
redemptive adversity in
Christ's life.

1. There are different levels and qualities of joy and happiness.

Joy is χαρά *chara*

Gladness is ἀγαλλίασις *agalliasis*

John 16:20, “Most assuredly, I say to you that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; and you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be turned into joy.”

John 16:22, “Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you.”

2. Happiness is often associated with a specific set of pleasurable circumstances which often change.

3. To whatever degree our happiness is based on people, emotions, or circumstances, we become dependent on and slaves of those people, emotions, or circumstances.

4. The kind of joy the Scripture promises is robust and independent of circumstances, emotions, and people.

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πληρόω *plēroō*

aor pass subj 3 sing

**the subjunctive is used to
express a purpose because the
subjunctive expresses
probability and has the idea of
potential,**

to fill; fulfill

verb (fulfills, fulfilling, fulfilled)

1 achieve or realize (something desired, promised, or predicted).

▶ (fulfill oneself) gain happiness or satisfaction by fully achieving one's potential

Gal. 5:16, “I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh...”

Gal. 5:22, “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

Gal. 5:23, “gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.”

John 15:1, “I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser.

John 15:2, “Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit.”

John 15:3, “You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.

John 15:4, “Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.”

John 15:7, “If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.”

John 15:10, “If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love.”

James 1:2, “My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials,

James 1:3, “knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.

James 1:4, “But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.”

John 14:27, “Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”

John 16:33, “These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

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Emphasizing **בָּטַח** (*bāṭah*) I, *trust in, feel safe,*
in the mirror *be confident, rely upon*

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