

## I Peter 1:8-12 GLORIOUS JOY!

1. BELIEF LEADS TO \_\_\_\_\_ v. 8

We don't see Him, but we \_\_\_\_\_ Him!

II Cor. 5:7 "we walk (live) by faith, not by sight."

Rom. 8:28 doesn't say "we \_\_\_\_\_ God is at work in all things for our good" – it says we \_\_\_\_\_ it!

Joy comes from "believing in Him" – but believe what? Romans 5:3-5: Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4) perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5) And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

In other words, joy comes from knowing \_\_\_\_\_ is in control!

Joy is not the absence of suffering. Joy is the presence of \_\_\_\_\_.

II. THE ULTIMATE GOAL IS OUR DELIVERANCE FROM THIS EARTH V. 9

This "salvation" is deliverance. We won't enjoy ALL our salvation provides until we get to heaven!

III. THE PROPHETS TRIED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY PROPHESED!

II Peter 1:21; Dan. 8:27 – "it was beyond understanding!" Dan. 12:8 – 'I heard, but I did not understand.'

They were serving the generations to come!

4. WE ARE TO SERVE THE FOLLOWING \_\_\_\_\_ v. 12

And what about others who have served us? "The things that have now been told you by those who preached the Good News to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven."

Who are those in your life?

For whom are you that voice?

V. THE \_\_\_\_\_ WANT TO LOOK INTO THIS !

v. 3: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. . ." This is the key to joy – looking into the things of God!

