

## IN NEED OF

**Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:**

- Not just rejoice but greatly rejoice?
- A season means it has limits and must change (spring)
- If need be? That the trial or trouble (not obligated) Trial obligated to limit the time but it is necessary. There will be many choices to make offered other than the will and purpose of God.
- The theme is repeated continually through the scripture and poetry. Why?

**<sup>7</sup>That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:**

- It's your faith that is on trial thus you must find a promise that would remedy your problem
- Which can be about gold, but it is more precious to God than the gold you're fretting about.
- " Though it be" the intensity of the flame produces the character and trust that will bring God Honor at his coming again.

**<sup>8</sup>Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:**

- The walk and the test of life produces a love for God.
- You gave substance to faith by believing the promise which was aided by your willingness to "REJOICE" Faith worketh by Love. Galatians 5;6

**<sup>9</sup>Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.**

- This is the summation of one's life, that there has been a series of events which were appointed of the Father (Ephesians & 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter)
- In heaven faith will not be necessary.

**<sup>10</sup>Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you:<sup>11</sup> Searching what, or what**

**manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.**

- After diligent search and comparisons that “weeping may endure for the night and joy in the morning” is a theme “Trouble Don’t Last Always” The suffering of Jesus Christ and then the Glory that should follow”

**Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.<sup>13</sup> Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;**

- This understanding and expectation of a secure future with God will allow you to endure the suffering or trial knowing God has something better for you and you will be a better person. Paul says “It’s from faith to faith “Then I am either in a storm, coming out of a storm, or getting ready to go into one.

**<sup>14</sup> As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:**

- In the context of which this is written it is to be understood that by solving your problem as you did in your former lust and tendency’s will bring about disastrous results but applying the promise of God invokes God into your issue for your victory.

**<sup>15</sup> But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;<sup>16</sup> Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.**

- The trial is designed to let you see your shortcomings and what you have not submitted to him. Deep trouble often causes us to act unholy or respond in a carnal fashion. (the escaped prisoner unshackled)

**<sup>17</sup> And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear:<sup>18</sup> Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;<sup>19</sup> But**

**with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:**

- The same thing that saved your corrupted soul was not corrupted and thus would not use corruptible devices to bring you out but his incorruptible word.

**<sup>20</sup> Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,**

- Jesus Christ was slain before the foundation of the world anticipating your need due to your failures and what would be required to make you more than a conqueror and have fellowship with the Father. Revelation 5:9

**<sup>21</sup> Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.**

- Your Trust and your Future is in Jesus Christ.

**<sup>22</sup> Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:<sup>23</sup> Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever.**

- Was my trial trying to get me to Love Agape style?