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Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name. And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you,

but rather

rejoice because your names are written in heaven."

Luke 10:17, 19-20 (NKJV)

Christian,

Do you rejoice in your service to the Lord? Do you rejoice in the magnificent things the Lord does through you in His might? Jesus says the fact that you belong to Him is a far greater reason to celebrate.

". . .rejoice because your names are written in heaven." In the future, you will be with God where He is! This is the ultimate result of God's love for you. Consider this love. It's a love that was present before God said, "Let there be light." How do I know this? Because Jesus is the "Lamb slain from the foundation of the world" (Rev 13:8). Imagine. Before the beginning of time, God loved you! Before you ever came to be, God loved you! In His omniscience, knowing the darkness of your heart and the sins you would commit, God loved you! And He freely chose to display His love for you at a very public forum called Calvary. For it is at Calvary that the Love of God was displayed for all to see, that all might marvel at the purity and depth of His love for you! Jesus loved you and made the choice to die for you that you might have the opportunity to choose Him, to be forgiven by Him, and to be restored to right relationship with Him!

Now consider this. Your relationship with the Lord is for forever! There is not a moment that goes by now that the Lord is not with you. Neither is there a time or event in your life when you cannot come boldly to His throne of grace (Heb 4:16)! And just as He is with you in this place, a day is coming when you will be with Him in His place! Heaven! The place where God is. A place without sorrow. A place without strife. A place where the obscurity is taken away as we see the Lord face-to-face and "know as we are known" (1Cor 13:12) for all eternity!

The seventy rejoiced in their service and it is a wonderful thing to be able to serve the Lord. Cindy and I are thankful for the opportunity to serve the Lord and minister to Him by ministering to others. Likewise, whether we are proclaiming the Gospel, offering His comfort to a Brother or Sister, or whatever else He asks of us, we rejoice when we see the manifestation of His power impact the lives of others. However, our greatest joy is in being known by Him as His child and the promise inherent within the title, "child of God".

We pray this is true for you as well.

Cindy and I have stayed in Southern Illinois this month. I have brought God's message at some local churches this month. It was a blessing from the Lord for us to worship in fellowship with them. Palm Sunday we worshipped with our Brothers and Sisters at our home church. Although I didn't click my heels together, I have to agree that there is "no

place like home"! Cindy and I have also spent some time at the Lighthouse Shelter bringing a Bible Study to those who currently reside there. Cindy will be spending a little more time there this year as she is facilitating a group of ladies that will add a different facet to the type of ministry we are involved in at the Lighthouse. Please be in prayer for her and the ladies that have come alongside to help with this.

Men. The Memphis in May Outreach is drawing closer. The mission is the first weekend of May. Most will arrive on Thursday evening, May 3rd and leave Sunday, May 6th. The Indy 500 Outreach is also in May. The dates are May 24th - 27th. Please be in prayer about joining us to serve the Lord at one, or both, of these events. If you would like more information, please contact me.

Men and women. If you have an interest in joining us on mission, please contact us. We are always excited to have others join us in proclaiming the Gospel of our Lord Jesus. And we know that together for Him, we can do more.

Until Jesus comes,

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