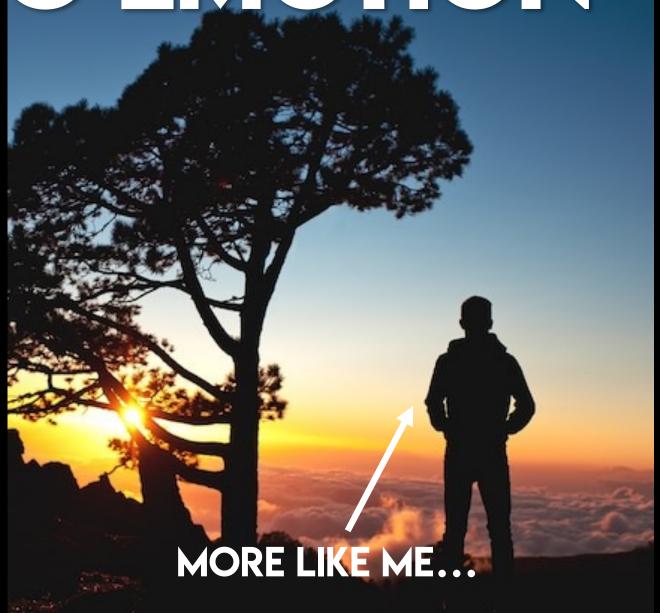


EXPRESSING EMOTION

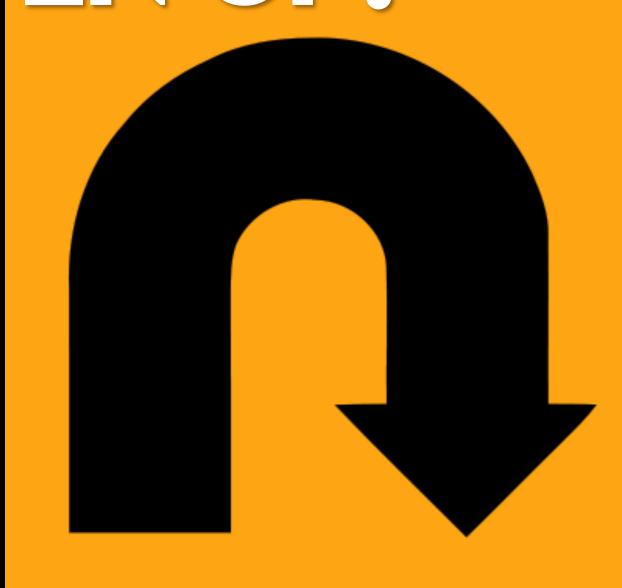




BRIGHTEN UP!

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IN THE OLD TESTAMENT, THERE ARE SEVERAL WORDS FOR "JOY". SOME ARE USED TO DESCRIBE AN EXPRESSION OF EMOTION SUCH AS "REJOICING", BUT THE ONE MOST FREQUENTLY USED DESCRIBES A STATE OF BEING THAT AN INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP EXPERIENCES WHEN THEIR NEGATIVE FORTUNES HAVE BEEN REVERSED... A BRIGHTENING UP OR THE EASING OF A BURDEN... A SENSE OF RELIEF.



THE RESCUER

ISAIAH 9:1-7

THE PEOPLE WALKING IN DARKNESS HAVE SEEN A

GREAT

ISAIAH 9:2

FOR YOU WILL BREAK THE YOKE OF THEIR SLAVERY AND THE HEAVY BURDEN FROM THEIR SHOULDERS. YOU WILL BREAK THE OPPRESSOR'S ROD JUST AS YOU DID WHEN YOU DESTROYED THE

JUST AS YOU DID WHEN YOU DESTROYED THE ARMY OF MIDIAN. THE BOOTS OF THE WARRIOR & THE UNIFORMS BLOODSTAINED BY WAR

WILL ALL BE BURNED.

THEY WILL BE FUEL FOR THE FIRE.

- ISAIAH 9:4-5 -

LUKE 1:46-51



OH, HOW MY SOUL PRAISES THE LORD. HOW MY SPIRIT REJOICES IN GOD MY SAVIOR! FOR HE TOOK NOTICE OF HIS LOWLY SERVANT GIRL, AND FROM NOW ON ALL GENERATIONS WILL CALL ME BLESSED. FOR THE MIGHTY ONE IS HOLY, AND HE HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR ME.

HE SHOWS MERCY FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION TO ALL WHO FEAR HIM. HIS MIGHTY ARM HAS DONE TREMENDOUS THINGS!

- LUKE 1:46-51 -

TRADING PLACES

LUKE 1:51-54 ALL THOSE WHO EXALT THEMSELVES WILL BE HUMBLED. AND THOSE WH Luke 14:11

THE HUMBLE

"GOD HAS EXALTED WITH DIGNITY."

THE HUNGRY

"GOD HAS FILLED WITH GOOD THINGS."

THE HELPLESS

"GOD HAS GIVEN HELP."

THE PROUD

"GOD HAS SCATTERED."

THE POWERFUL

"GOD HAS BROUGHT DOWN LOW.

THE PROSPEROUS

"GOD HAS SENT AWAY WITH NOTHING IN THEIR HANDS,"

GREAT JOY FOR ALL PEOPLE



DO NOT BE AFRAID. I BRING YOU

GOOD NEWS THAT WILL CAUSE GREAT JOY FOR ALL THE PEOPLE.

TODAY IN THE TOWN OF DAVID

A SAVIOR HAS BEEN BORN TO YOU; HE IS THE MESSIAH, THE LORD...

...GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST HEAVEN, AND ON EARTH

PEACE TO THOSE ON WHOM HIS FAVOR RESTS.