

**“A Rejoicing Heart”**

**Philippians 4:4;**

**I Thessalonians 5:16**

**The Greek word used for rejoicing is found 74 times in the New Testament. It means:**

- 1. “Spread joy” – “dispel gloom”**
- 2. “Calmly happy” – “inner peace” – “a confident assurance”**
- 3. “Well off” – “my security is secure and settled.”**

**What do we have to rejoice  
about?- John 14:1-3**

**I. The peace He provides - v.1**

**A. Peace in Christ – John 16:33**

**B. Peace with God – Rom. 5:1**

**C. Peace of God – Phil. 4:7**

## **II. The promise He promised - vv. 2a-3**

**A. A promise is only as good as the one who makes it – Heb. 10:23**

**B. What he promised**

**i. Salvation - Rom. 10:13**

**ii. Spirit - John 14:15-18**

**iii. Second Coming - v.3; Acts 1:11**

### **III. The place he has prepared - v.2**

**A. Heaven is a real place – John's  
glimpse was limited – Isa. 64:4; I Cor. 29**

## **B. What did John see?**

- i. A city - Rev. 21:12-21**
- ii. The citizens - Rev. 5:9**

## **C. Who did John see?**

- i. God the Father**
- ii. The Lamb**
- iii. The Holy Spirit**

**Note: that which is invisible becomes visible then.**

## **D. What did John NOT see? (Rev. 21)**

**i. The unbelieving - v. 8**

**ii. No night - v. 25**

**iii. No sun or moon - v. 23**

**iv. No sin - v. 27**

**v. No death, sorrow, crying or pain-v.4**