"Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto <u>God my exceeding joy</u>: yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God my God." Psalms 43:4 KJV

Answered prayer is perhaps one of our greatest joys as believers! It is one of the greatest affirmations of faith there is! Especially when you come to God with a very specific request, and you persist in prayer. If we don't pray specifically, we won't get specific results and Satan can fill our minds with, "Oh, it's just circumstance. It could of happened to anyone!" Don't be timid and don't give up! "Ask and ye shall receive!" It doesn't say when we'll get it, just that we will. "But...ask in faith, nothing wavering. Let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord." Be careful what you request. "Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts." God may grant your request to teach you a lesson. The Israelites "lusted exceedingly in the wilderness, and tempted God in the desert. And He gave them their request; but sent leanness into their soul." God will let you acquire your lust, but you'll have no joy with it! "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of



turning." If you ask and wait on God to grant it, it will come at the perfect time in the perfect amount! God isn't going to make you a millionaire. He doesn't have to. He already owns everything, even the possessions of the mega wealthy! If He so desires, He can turn your enemy's heart to your favor. When "the children of Israel, which were come again out of captivity, and all such as had separated themselves unto them from the filthiness of the heathen of the land, to seek the LORD God of Israel, did eat, and kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with joy: for the LORD had made them joyful, and turned the heart of the king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands in the work of the house of God, the God of Israel."

The moments with my God and KING, Great peace and joy to my life bring, An answered prayer makes my heart sing, For my God can do anything! ~CGP

A little girl, quoting Psalm 23:1, said, "The Lord is my Shepherd and that's all I want!" It's too bad most believers can't honestly say that! Walking with God is the same as walking in the Light which is the same as obeying God's Word! Through faith, trusting the UNSEEN God to provide the unexpected and grant the perfect answers to our specific prayers! Maybe God is waiting for you to narrow down your request parameters! God's blessings are His commands! "God created man in His own image...and God blessed them, and God said unto them, 'Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth." Provision was already created and provided. When they disobeyed, the provision stopped! Every man is blessed by God with the written Word. Men need but obey it to find provision for daily need. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God...and ALL these things shall be added unto you. He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?" Obey and expect God to provide! "The Joy of the Lord is your strength." You may not have it, but you can expect it! Rejoicing is hilarious anticipation of expected reward!