

HE

Will Do It

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1 Thessalonians 5:24 (ESV)

HE who calls you is faithful; **HE WILL DO IT!**

Leading up to last week's message, I was struggling with God's command to Rejoice Always. Several times I walked up and down our driveway confessing my inability to "Rejoice Always". Then I began rejoicing out of obedience to the Lord all the painful circumstances in my life. Then last Sunday during worship, Adam led us in a song by Colton Dixon "Build a Boat". As I heard the words, "Build a boat in the sand where they say it will never rain, and so let it rain." The Holy Spirit powerfully said, "This is why and how you Rejoice! Basically, the Holy Spirit said, "You Rejoice in all circumstance and God will bring the rain." We must "Rejoice Always" to give an avenue for God to bring the rain. Now this morning we continue to learn why we should Always Rejoice:

"HE who calls you is faithful; HE WILL DO IT!"

We "Rejoice Always" because the ONE who calls us is faithful and can be absolutely relied on and HE will do it. **God is saying to me, "Wallace Rejoice Always!"** **God is also saying to me, "Rejoicing sets the Spirit on fire and moves God into action where great miracles happen!"** As we learned last week, **"Not Rejoicing quenches the Spirit."** Therefore:

Psalm 37:5 (ESV)

Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and **HE WILL ACT.**

Commit means roll away. This means to roll onto Jesus the whole course of our lives with all its troubles and cares. This includes all our feelings of anger, doubt, resentment, and expectations. This portrays complete dependence on God, allowing HIM to act. We are not to fret and worry:

Psalm 37:25 (ESV)

I have been young, and now am old,
yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken
or his children begging for bread.

We need to examine ourselves. Rejoicing is evidence we are depending totally on God!

Proverbs 3:5 (ESV)

Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.

Rejoicing Always is an exercise in faith and dependence.

Isaiah 7:9 (ESV)

If you are not firm in faith,
you will not be firm at all.

Brothers and Sisters, “Don’t Fret and Rejoice Always!” HE who calls you is faithful; HE WILL DO IT!

We are all saying, yes but, but, but. We must go before the LORD Jesus Christ and confess that each reason we give for our inability to Rejoice is evidence of our lack of trust and surrender in the Creator God of the universe. However, by Rejoicing, we release God to do more than we can imagine.

Ephesians 3:20 (ESV)

“Now” to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us.

God is speaking to us to encourage us to be totally dependent on HIM who is totally dependable. Therefore, in our boat built in the sand where they say it never rains, we Rejoice and say, “God let it rain.” HE is faithful and HE will do it.

We Rejoice because we have the Word of God to guide us!

Isaiah 55:11 (ESV)

MY WORD be that goes out from MY MOUTH; it shall not return to ME empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose.

We Rejoice because God “desires” to act on our behalf.

Isaiah 30:18 (NIV)

The LORD longs to be gracious to you.

God’s desire is to bring the rain and move our boat. We Rejoice because Rejoicing gives God an avenue through which HE will move into our circumstance.

We Rejoice Always because we know HE who calls us is faithful; HE WILL DO IT! Therefore:

Philippians 4:4 (ESV)

REJOICE in the Lord always; again I will say, REJOICE!