



## Turning My Sorrow Into Joy

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*The Lord's hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord.*  
**Acts 11:21 (NIV)**

*You have turned my mourning into joyful dancing. You have taken away my clothes of mourning and clothed me with joy, ...*  
**Psalm 30:11 (NLT)**

**God can turn my sorrow into joy...**

### 1. When God gets my attention.

*Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose. <sup>27</sup> The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup> But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" <sup>29</sup> The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas.*  
**Acts 16:26-29 (NIV)**

*Sometimes it takes a painful experience to make us change our ways.*  
**Proverbs 20:30 (GNT)**

### 2. When I trust The Lord.

*Bring joy to your servant, Lord, for I put my trust in you.*  
**Psalm 86:4 (NIV)**

*The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup> He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"*  
**Acts 16:29-30 (NIV)**

*They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household."*  
**Acts 16:31 (NIV)**

*The LORD is my strength and shield. I trust him with all my heart. He helps me, and my heart is filled with joy. I burst out in songs of thanksgiving.*  
**Psalm 28:7 (NLT)**

### 3. When I listen, and obey God's word.

*Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house.*  
**Acts 16:32 (NIV)**

*I find joy in your promise like someone who finds a priceless treasure.*  
**Psalm 119:162 (GW)**

*Some merciless people are trying to trap me, but I never turn my back on your teachings. <sup>111</sup> They will always be my most prized possession and my source of joy.*  
**Psalm 119:110-111 (CEV)**

*The commandments of the Lord are right, bringing joy to the heart.*  
**Psalm 19:8a (NLT)**

*So rejoice in the Lord and be glad, all you who obey him! Shout for joy, all you whose hearts are pure!*  
**Psalm 32:11 (NLT)**

*At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized. <sup>34</sup> The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household.*  
**Acts 16:33-34 (NIV)**

*I will shout for joy when I sing praises to you. You have saved me.*  
**Psalm 71:23 (NCV)**

*Give me back the joy that comes from being saved by you. Give me a spirit that obeys you so that I will keep going.*  
**Psalm 51:12 (NIRV)**