



Art of Joy: The God of Peace

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Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable - if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me - put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. Phil 4:4-9 (NIV)

1. Cultivate a spirit of relational gentleness .
2. Develop godly habits .
3. Make the nearness of God a good thing.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Does gentleness come naturally for you? How can you cultivate “relational gentleness”?
2. Do you currently have a sense that God is near? What helps you to remember that? What distracts you from that beautiful reminder?