

Triumphant Joy

Jude 1:24 doesn't mean we're not going to stumble, does it? Where do you find *stumbling* in the New Testament, in the gospel? What does it mean? You've already been taught this.

Mt 18:6 — A better word here than *stumble* or *sin* is that a person is not ensnared, entrapped in iniquity, that a person is not held by something — such as being entrapped in an “underground.” You have this little secret with somebody else. Then that person tells you, “Don't tell your parents.” You're afraid to confess, and so you get deeper and deeper into sin. It grows.

2 Tim 2:26 speaks of being entrapped by Satan, taken captive by him, becoming a prisoner to do Satan's will. His will is that people would be continuing to go to church, reading the Bible. He likes that.

Jude 1:24 — Make you stand in confidence, with no iniquities dragging you down and making you guilty because you do something about it. Make you stand in His glorious presence — in what kind of state? *Faultless and full of great joy.*

“Great joy” should be translated “triumphant joy.” It's not just *great* joy. This is how we're supposed to be presented to Him if we're normal disciples, if we're *overcomers*. Is an overcomer an abnormal disciple? Is he a better disciple than others? Rev 2:26 talks about overcomers. Is that normal or abnormal? Is it something special? An overcomer is just a normal disciple living a normal life in the community.

Triumph doesn't mean great joy. If your Bible says “great joy” in Jude 1:24, this is not the proper understanding. “Triumphant joy” means jumping in His presence. You'll be so happy in His presence. You are faultless, you have confidence, you won't shrink back. That's how we're supposed to come to Him. I guess when our Master gives the cup of victory to all those who are overcomers, we'll be jumping in His presence. If you're *triumphant* you don't just stand there, you're jumping up and down. If you won a race you jump up and down, or whatever they do in the flesh. What do we do in the Spirit? Would we jump up and down in the minchah or the breaking of bread?