



# Pastor's Comments

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### “Joy Unspeakable!”

In his epistle to the early Christians, Peter speaks of their “*born-again*” experience and praises God Who “*according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.*” He states they are “*kept by the power of God through faith*” and notes that they “*greatly rejoice...with joy unspeakable and full of glory*” (1 Peter 1:3-8). Another word for “unspeakable” is “unutterable.” In other words, the joy they experienced was a joy beyond human capability to describe! Peter goes on to say that they had been blessed to experience what the Old Testament prophets had longed for and in which the angels of heaven have an interest. “*Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you...the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into*” (1 Peter 1:10-12).

What a glorious experience this is! We sing a song titled “**Joy Unspeakable**” that was obviously written from this passage of Scripture. One verse says, “I have found the pleasure I once craved, **It is joy and peace within**; What a wondrous blessing, I am saved from the awful gulf of sin.” In reference to that **unspeakable joy**, another verse says, “I have found **the joy no tongue can tell**, how **its waves of glory roll**; It is **like a great o’erflowing well, springing up within my soul.**”

Have you experienced such joy—a **joy beyond words**—a **joy that you cannot explain**? It is readily available through the mercy and grace of God. I urge you to fully believe in Jesus Christ and receive Him as your Savior by humbly praying now and confessing your sins to Him. If you have any questions or need additional help, please email me or come to any of our church services, and I will count it my great joy to talk and pray with you around the altar so that you too will experience this “**joy unspeakable!**”