

JOY COMETH IN THE MORNING Psalms 30:5

Introduction: I am speaking to you today on one of the laws of life. There are many laws which the Creator set in motion.

1. **The law of gravity.** It is a law that something thrown up into the air will fall to the ground.
 2. **The Seasons:** spring follows winter; summer follows spring; autumn follows summer.
 3. **The law of the harvest.** Planting, growth and finally harvest.
 - Here we have stated a law which is just as real, and works just as much as do all the other laws—namely—the day follows the night.
 - May we look at this law in connection with our lives and particularly the Christian life.
- I. **The Joy of Salvation Follows The Long Night of Sin.**
- I read of the woman in the Bible who was caught in the very act of adultery. She was such a sinful woman. A poor, fallen outcast from society. What a glorious moment it was for her when Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn thee, go and sin no more". (John 8:1-11)
 - A. **What a day it was for the woman at the well. She left her waterpots and rushed back into the city and told people to come and see what she had found.**
 - B. D.L. Moody said, after a faithful Sunday school teacher had led him to the Lord, in the back room of a Boston shoe store, "When I walked outside the store the birds were singing a sweetness I had never heard before".
 - C. **C.H. Spurgeon was saved in a little Methodist chapel, and as he walked home, after the service, he saw some crows in a field and he said, "I wish I could tell those crows of the love of God".**

D. One man was saved and went home and hugged his wife and kids and said, "I love you more than I ever have before." He then went out into his back yard and hugged his dog and said to him, "I just got saved, and I love you".

- II. **The Joy of Restored Fellowship After The Long Dark Night of Being Away From God.**
- A. David knew the darkness of the night of broken fellowship, and he cried for the day to come when he would be restored. (Psalms 23:3;51:12)
 - B. **A new day dawned for the old prodigal when he said, "I will arise and go to my father" Lk. 15:18**

III. **The Joy of Answered Prayer After The Long Night of Waiting and Hoping and Thinking Maybe God Doesn't Answer Prayer.**

A. Daniel prayed for weeks and nothing happened. Finally the angel came and said, "I am here with the answers." (Daniel 10:2-12)

IV. **The Joy of Victory After The Long Night of Defeat.**

A. The devil delights in putting us down. We get discouraged. Many quit the Christian life. It is hard. But I tell you if we stay with God He will give the victory. - Rom. 8:37 *After*

V. **The Joy of Heaven[^] The Night of Death.**

Rev. 21:4: "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away."