~GLADLY (95)

[English, willingly, happily, with pleasure, with joy, cheerfully, Opposite of, grudgingly]

- Herod however was in fear of John the Baptist, for he knew he was a righteous and holy man, and he was keeping him safe, though out of the public's eye, hearing his speak gladly. So after hearing him, Herod was at a great loss, as to what to do with John the Baptist.
- For Herod stood in fear of John, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man, and he was keeping him safe. And after hearing him he was at a great loss what to do, yet he continued to hear him gladly. (Mark 6:20)
- Later upon arriving in Jerusalem, they sought out the brothers there, and they were all received gladly.
- When we got into Jerusalem, the brothers received us gladly. (Acts of Apostles 21:17)
- Paul now asks those ones in Corinth; Did I sin by humbling myself before you? No, but Paul glorified his ministry by gladly providing his services to them, at no cost to them.
- Or did I commit a sin by humbling myself that you might be exalted, because without cost I gladly declared the Good News of God to you? (2 Corinthians 11:7)
- Paul has seen, that those there in Corinth gladly put up with their unreasonableness, so why not with his.
- For you gladly put up with the unreasonable persons, seeing you are reasonable. (2 Corinthians 11:19)
- But the Lord answered Paul; That his undeserved kindness was sufficient for him, for his power was being made perfect or complete in weakness. Therefore Paul got the point, that his life as a Christian, would not be a breeze, as he coasted along engaged in a wonderful heartwarming and peaceful work of declaring the Good News of God's Kingdom.

- Paul then realized, that this slapping by the angel of his face, was to keep him humble, and so that he would realize, that only through God's power was he able to stand against the powers of Satan the Devil's wicked world, and successfully preach the Good News.
- Therefore he **gladly** boasted about his weaknesses, because this was proof of his doing this fine work correctly. Thus the power of the Christ remained like a tent over him and all his works, protecting him from Satan the Devil's forces, and their intent, to stop him from preaching about God's Kingdom.
- And yet he really said to me; My undeserved kindness is sufficient for you, for my power is being made perfect in weakness. Most gladly, therefore, will I rather boast as respects my weaknesses, that the power of the Christ may like a tent remain over me. (2 Corinthians 12:9)
- Paul would then gladly spend his energies and love upon them there in Corinth, pouring out his very soul for them to firm them up for salvation. He then asks; If I love you the more, is it right, for me to be loved the less, by you?
- For my part I will most gladly spend and be completely spent for your souls. If I love you the more abundantly, am I to be loved the less? (2 Corinthians 12:15)
- Later Abraham, when God tested him, as good as offered up Isaac his only son, and the man who had gladly received the promises attempted to offer up his only son as a sacrifice.
- Likewise the Greater Abraham, Yehowah God offered up his only or firstborn son, the Greater Isaac, Jesus Christ in sacrifice there upon Mount Moriah, in the hope or promise of God, that through faith in him, everyone living might gain life through his death.
- By faith Abraham, when he was tested, as good as offered up Isaac, and the man that had gladly received the promises attempted to offer up his only-begotten son. (Hebrews 11:17)