

# What am I Missing Here?

Steps to Recovering Your Joy

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## SOME PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATIONS

- 1) Dispositions differ.
- 2) Emotions are not the test of our spiritual state!
  - a) Elijah (1 Kings 19:4)
  - b) Jesus (Matthew 26:37–39; Luke 22:44)
  - c) John the Baptist (Luke 7:19-20)

### I. You May not Have Distinguished between Your Standing and Your Circumstances

- A. Circumstances Change (Job 7:6; 14:1,2; Ps. 39:5; 102:3; James 1:10; 4:14; 1 Pet. 1:24)
- B. Our Standing in Christ Never Changes (Heb. 13:8)
  1. It did not originate in us! (Rom. 5:8)
  2. It was not purchased by us! (1 Peter 1:18)
  3. It is not maintained by us! (1 Cor. 1:8; Philip. 1:6; 2:13; 1 Thess. 5:24; Heb. 12:2; 13:20-21)
  4. We are, and always will be, one with Him! (Col. 2:12; Eph. 2:4-6)
  5. Nothing can separate us! (John 5:24; Rom. 8:31-39)
    - There is no circumstance, no doubt or depression, no fear, that can for a single moment affect or alter our acceptance with God through the blood of Jesus, which is an eternal fact.

**QUOTE:** You have not realized this, perhaps, but have thought that your standing in Jesus was affected by your changeful moods. Cease to consider how you feel, and build on the immovable rock of what Jesus is, and has done, and is doing, and will do for you, world without end. (F.B. Meyer)