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Psalm 126 - Past Joy, Future Joy

Probably a post-exilic Psalm; "fortunes" could be "captivity" or "captive ones" - "When the Lord returned the captivity (captive ones) of Zion"

1. Joy comes from God's deliverance in the past. (126:1–3)

\*We remember how God delivered and restored us.

- We returned, but it was God who did it. We returned only because God allowed it and accomplished it.

\*We experience joy, and others see it.

- 2. Joy comes from the hope of God's grace in the future. (126:4-6)
  - Lord, you've done it, please do it again!
  - \*Trusting God for Blessing on His Part
  - \*A Willingness to Work on Our Part

## Psalm 127 - Past Joy, Future Joy

- 1. The Lord Reigns
- 2. The People Strive
- 3. The Beloved Sleep
- 4. The Blessed Rule

Isaiah 53: Christ was cut off but reigns forevermore!