

REJOICE IN ALL YOUR WORKS

Every mouth that cries for food
Every lung that yearns for breath
Every eye that searches through the dark for light
All creation looks to You
For its breath and for its food
From the goodness of Your hand we're satisfied

Oh rejoice in all Your works
King of heaven King of earth
Every creature You have made declares Your praise
We rejoice in all You've made
God of all-sustaining grace
With the mountain sky and sea we sing Your praise

Every tree that thirsts for rain
Every bird that seeks its nest
Every heart that waits in hope to be made glad
All creation looks to You
For its breath and for its food
From the goodness of Your hand we're satisfied
REPEAT CHORUS

May the pond'rings of my heart
And the song upon my lips
With the chorus of creation join in praise
To the God who made all things
To the Spirit who sustains
To the Son who over all creation reigns
REPEAT CHORUS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night.

—Psalm 92:1-2 & 96:1-2, NIV—

<u>JOYFUL, JOYFUL</u>

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,

JOYFUL, JOYFUL cont.

Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea, Singing bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed, Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!

Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are Thine;

Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus, which the morning stars began; Father love is reigning over us, brother love binds man to man. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife, Joyful music leads us Sunward in the triumph song of life.

LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

Let us love and sing and wonder; let us praise the Saviors name He has hushed the laws loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame He has washed us with His blood (x3) He has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord Who bought us;
pitied us when enemies
Called us by His grace and taught us,
gave us ears and gave us eyes
He has washed us with His blood (x3)
He presents our souls to God

Let us wonder grace and justice; join and point to mercy's store When through grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more He Who washed us with His blood (x3) Has secured our way to God

Yes, we praise Thee, gracious Savior; wonder, love, and bless Thy Name. Pardon, Lord our poor endeavor, pity for Thou knowest our frame Wash our souls and songs with blood (x3) For by Thee, we come to God

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O99. What is the aim of the third commandment?

A.That we neither blaspheme nor misuse the name of God by cursing, perjury, or unnecessary oaths, nor share in such horrible sins by being silent bystanders. In summary, we should use the holy name of God only with reverence and awe, so that we may properly confess God, pray to God, and glorify God in all our words and works.

Q100. Is blasphemy of God's name by swearing and cursing really such serious sin that God is angry also with those who do not do all they can to help prevent and forbid it?

A. Yes, indeed. No sin is greater or provokes God's wrath more than blaspheming his name. That is why God commanded it to be punished with death.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord, we have sinned, without considering how much you love us. You see our sins more clearly than we can ourselves. Lord, you know when we are indifferent to your Word, the Bible; how often we forget to pray; the times we come unwillingly to worship; and yet we turn to you when we are in trouble. Lord, you know when we are untruthful and when we think evil of others. You see our anger and unfairness to our friends. You know how hard it is for us to forgive. Forgive us and make us clean, so that we can obey your call to take up your cross and follow you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news:
This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.
—based on 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24—

THE MERCIES OF CHRIST

God of all comfort be near us we pray
When sorrow is rising and hope falls away
We lift up our voices, and boldly we cry:
Come bind up our hearts, Lord, with the mercies of Christ

God of compassion we bring you our tears
Give ear to our groaning and quiet our fears
Draw near in our darkness and show us your light
And banish the shadow with the mercies of Christ

God of the nail-wounds, our griefs you have known You entered our weakness, the cross was your throne You stepped down from heaven to lift us on high How tender, how mighty are the mercies of Christ

God of all glory, whom angels still praise Your goodness will follow us all of our days

THE MERCIES OF CHRIST cont.

We look for the morning when dawn lights the sky And death is defeated by the mercies of Christ

SERMON

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

COMMUNION

BEHOLD OUR GOD

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Behold our God seated on His throne,
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King—nothing can compare,
Come, let us adore Him

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?
REPEAT CHORUS

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal, humbled to the grave,
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign
REPEAT CHORUS

You will reign forever You will reign forever You will reign forever You will reign forever REPEAT CHORUS