

# FM 88.7

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# **Living Hope**

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope..." 1 Pt 1:3

#### Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham

How great the chasm that lay between us How high the mountain I could not climb In desperation, I turned to heaven And spoke Your name into the night Then through the darkness, your lovingkindness

Tore through the shadows of my soul The work is finished, the end is written Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy? What heart could fathom such boundless grace?

The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ, my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise

Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus, Yours is the victory!

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ, my living hope...

Jesus Christ, my living hope Oh God, You are, my living hope

#### **Our God**

"...If God is for us, who can be against us?" Romans 8:31

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Jonas Myrin, and Matt Redman

Water You turned into wine Opened the eyes of the blind There's no one like You None like You

Into the darkness You shine
Out of the ashes we rise
There's no one like You
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Our God is greater, Our God is stronger God You are higher than any other Our God is Healer, awesome in power Our God, Our God

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# I Will Call Upon the Lord #38

"I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised..." Psalm 18:3

Michael O'Shields

I will call upon the Lord (I will call upon the Lord)
Who is worthy to be praised (Who is worthy to be praised)
So, shall I be saved from my enemies (So, shall I be saved from my enemies)
I will call upon the Lord

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock And let the God of my salvation be exalted! The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock And let the God of my salvation be exalted!

Jesus is the solid Rock (Jesus is the solid Rock)
He's the mighty cornerstone (He's the mighty cornerstone)
In His name I'll stand on His promises (In His name I'll stand on His promises)
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# Joshua 6:1-5, 20-27 — English Standard Version (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>And Now Jericho was shut up inside and outside because of the people of Israel. None went out, and none came in. <sup>2</sup> And the Lord said to Joshua, "See, I have given Jericho into your hand, with its king and mighty men of valor. <sup>3</sup> You shall march around the city, all the men of war going around the city once. Thus shall you do for six days. <sup>4</sup> Seven priests shall bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark. On the seventh day you shall march around the city seven times, and the priests shall blow the trumpets. <sup>5</sup> And when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, when you hear the sound of the trumpet, then all the people shall shout with a great shout, and the wall of the city will fall down flat, and the people shall go up, everyone straight before him."

<sup>20</sup> So the people shouted, and the trumpets were blown. As soon as the people heard the sound of the trumpet, the people shouted a great shout, and the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they captured the city. <sup>21</sup> Then they devoted all in the city to destruction, both men and women, young and old, oxen, sheep, and donkeys, with the edge of the sword.

<sup>22</sup> But to the two men who had spied out the land, Joshua said, "Go into the prostitute's house and bring out from there the woman and all who belong to her, as you swore to her." <sup>23</sup> So the young men who had been spies went

in and brought out Rahab and her father and mother and brothers and all who belonged to her. And they brought all her relatives and put them outside the camp of Israel. <sup>24</sup> And they burned the city with fire, and everything in it. Only the silver and gold, and the vessels of bronze and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the Lord. <sup>25</sup> But Rahab the prostitute and her father's household and all who belonged to her, Joshua saved alive. And she has lived in Israel to this day, because she hid the messengers whom Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.

<sup>26</sup> Joshua laid an oath on them at that time, saying, "Cursed before the Lord be the man who rises up and rebuilds this city, Jericho.

"At the cost of his firstborn shall he lay its foundation, and at the cost of his youngest son shall he set up its gates."

<sup>27</sup> So the Lord was with Joshua, and his fame was in all the land.

# Offering: Trust and Obey #349

# "...that all nations might believe and obey Him" Romans 16:26 John Sammis

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His word What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will, He abides with us still And with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies, but His smile quickly drives it away; Not a doubt nor a fear, not a sigh nor a tear, can abide while we trust and obey.

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To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet, we will sit at His feet, or we'll walk by His side in the way; What He says we will do, where He sends we will go; Never fear, only trust and obey.

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# **Leaning on the Everlasting Arms** #354

# "The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms..." Deut 33:27

#### E. A. Hoffman

What a fellowship, what a joy divine Leaning on the everlasting arms What a blessedness, what a peace is mine Leaning on the everlasting arms

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms Leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way
Leaning on the everlasting arms
O how bright the path grows from day to day
Leaning on the everlasting arms

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What have I to dread, what have I to fear Leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near Leaning on the everlasting arms

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# **Be Strong and Courageous: A Study in Joshua**

By Dr. Jason Lee

Text: Joshua 5:13-15, 6:1-1-7, 20-27

| <b>Theme:</b> Be strong and courageous by trusting the plans of the Lord. |
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## Joshua 6: God is with His People

Notice how the promise here is that the Lord is going to deliver the city (and the whole land) into the hands of Israel.

[2] And the LORD said to Joshua, "See, I have given Jericho Into your hand, with its king and mighty men of valor.

To participate in God's work, the people must listen to His words.

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Joshua 6:20-21

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Joshua 6:20-21

Notice how the wording here is almost identical to that of verses 3-5. This is way for the author to show us that the people listened and obeyed and that God delivered.

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See how God kept His promises to Rahab. However, her family experienced difficulties even as God kept His promises.

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The people remember that the Lord has given the victory by giving Him the spoils of victory. We will find out later that no everyone did this.

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From chapter 1, we have seen how God was raising up His leader, Joshua, as the leader is obedient to His words. He was told to be "strong and courageous" as he reads and does the word of God. Joshua's leadership is at its best when he listens carefully to the word of God and leads faithfully according to the wisdom of God.

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#### Joshua 6: God is with His People

How do we see God's promises to be with us? What results do His presence bring?

God has great purposes that are bigger than you, but they include you.

Do you have a tendency to filter all of life through the question of "how does this affect me?" Another question is "what good can God bring through this situation?"

God's keeps His promises, but that does not remove all pain.

He is with us in the pain and His blessings are not thwarted by suffering.

3. Be strong and courageous by trusting God's presence with you.

Just like Joshua we should be reading and meditating on God's Word so that we can know that God is with us. His Spirit is the promise of His presence. The Bible is ongoing Word of God to us so that we can listen to His Word and live by His wisdom.

# **Ancient of Days**

"..One like a son of man coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days...He was given authority, glory and sovereign power, all nations and peoples of every language worshiped Him" Dan 7:13-14

#### **Gary Sadler & Jamie Harvill**

Blessing and honor
Glory and power
Be unto the Ancient of Days
From every nation
All of creation
Bow before the Ancient of Days

Every tongue in heaven and earth
Shall declare Your glory
Every knee shall bow at Your throne
In worship
You will be exalted, oh God
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Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth
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