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Unearned Grace

"Whoever comes to Me, I will never drive away" Jn. 6:37

Callista Steves

I come broken, having nothing
as I should.

Yet Christ takes each piece and
changes it for good.

I felt Him touch my fears,
Now His voice is all I hear.

Old made new;

Broken, whole.

Diamonds made

Out of lumps of coal.

Only love on His face

I am found in unearned grace.

I was born to live

this very sinful life.

I took the pathway of my destiny
through strife.

Yet Jesus called my name,
And I'm not the same.

Old made new;

Broken, whole.

Diamonds made

Out of lumps of coal.

Only love on His face

I am found in unearned grace.

No matter what I've done

As I look on God's Son

Everything I've known

Is sud-den-ly blown.... Away.

Old made new;

Broken, whole.

Diamonds made

Out of lumps of coal.

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"You alone are my real joy giver and the
apple of my eye."

ADVENT READING:

CONGREGATION: *This third Sunday of Advent reflects the Joy that's ours because Jesus came! How blessed are those whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, oh righteous. Shout for joy all you upright in heart, for there is no condemnation for those whose faith is in Christ Jesus. Though we do not now see Him, we believe in Him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of our faith and the salvation of our souls.*

READER #1: *"The Lord our God we will "Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing." (James 1:2-4)*

READER #2: *"Through [Jesus] we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us." (Romans 5:2-5)*

God So Loved

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life" John 3:16

Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, Scott Cash

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty Come Praise God! Praise God
to the well that never runs dry From whom all blessings flow!
Drink of the water Praise Him! Praise Him
Come and thirst no more For the wonders of His love!

Come all you sinners, come find His mercy Praise God! Praise God
Come to the table, He will satisfy From whom all blessings flow!
Taste of His goodness Praise Him! Praise Him
Find what you're looking for For the wonders of His love!

For God so loved the world
That He gave us
For God so loved the world
That He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved
God so loved the world!

Bring all your failures
Bring your addictions
Come, lay them down
At the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting
For God so loved the world
That He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved
God so loved the world!

Happy Day

“Though you have not seen Him, you love Him; and even though you do not see Him now, you believe in Him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy” 1 Pt. 1:8

Tim Hughes, Ben Cantelon

The greatest day in history
Death is beaten, you have rescued me
Sing it out Jesus is alive
The empty cross, the empty grave
Life eternal You have won the day
Shout it out, Jesus is alive
He's alive

Oh happy day, happy day
You washed my sin away
Oh happy day, happy day
I'll never be the same
Forever I am changed

When I stand, in that place
Free at last, meeting face to face
I am Yours Jesus You are mine
Endless joy, perfect peace
Earthly pain finally will cease
Celebrate, Jesus is alive
He's alive
Oh happy day, happy day

You washed my sin away
Oh happy day, happy day
I'll never be the same
Forever I am changed

And oh what a glorious day
What a glorious way
That You have saved me
Oh what a glorious day
What a glorious name

Oh happy day, happy day
You washed my sin away
Oh happy day, happy day
I'll never be the same
Forever I am changed
I'll never be the same

Offering: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee #1

"Your works are wonderful, I know that full well." Ps. 139:14

Henry van Dyke

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

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,
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 o'er 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.

JOY



John 3:16-17

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him."

Joy is here because Jesus came;
Joy exists because Jesus lives!





Colossians 3:2-3

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God."

Galatians 2:20

"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."



1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God..."

Philippians 4:4-7

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything..."

Acts 5:41

"Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name."

Psalms 16:11

"You make known to me the path of life;
in Your presence there is fullness of joy..."

Psalms 30:11-12 (NLT)

"You have turned my mourning into joyful dancing. You have taken away my clothes of mourning and clothed me with joy, that I might sing praises to You and not be silent."

Psalms 32:1-2 (NLT)

Oh, what joy for those whose disobedience is forgiven,
whose sin is put out of sight! Yes, what joy for those
whose record the LORD has cleared of guilt..."

Isaiah 55:12

"For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands."

Nehemiah 8:10

"[Nehemiah] said to them, 'Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.'"



"The joy of the Lord is a constant gladness and cause to rejoice. It stems from an inner strengthening from our relationship with Him. When Jesus died for us, He restored us to a peace with God that cannot be undone."

—Meg Bucher (www.biblestudytools.com)

Joy is a result (or a reflection) of the New Covenant relationship we have with God.



Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

1 Peter 4:13-14

"But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when His glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you."



Ezekiel 36:27

"And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes and be careful to obey My rules."

Jesus' victory informs our viewpoint.

John 17:13

"But now I am coming to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves."



Joy to the World! #125

"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah...out of you will come for Me One who will rule over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times" Mic. 5:2

Isaac Watts

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.

