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Maple Worship Set
House Of The Lord
His Mercy Is More
All I Have Is Christ
Our God
Turn Your Eyes

House Of The Lord Jonathan Smith and Phil Wickham

Verse 1 We worship the God who was We worship the God who is We worship the God who evermore will be He opened the prison doors He parted the raging sea My God He holds the victory yeah **Chorus 1** There's joy in the house of the Lord There's joy in the house of the Lord today And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise There's joy in the house of the Lord

Our God is surely in this place And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise Misc 1 (Interlude) Oh oh oh We shout out Your praise Verse 2 We sing to the God who heals We sing to the God who saves We sing to the God who always makes a way 'Cause He hung up on that cross Then He rose up from that grave

My God's still rolling stones away Misc 2 (Bridge) ('Cause) We were the beggars Now we're royalty We were the prisoners Now we're running free We are forgiven accepted Redeemed by His grace Let the house of the Lord sing praise Misc 3 (Interlude) There is joy in this house oh yeah There is joy there is joy And we won't be quiet

We're gonna shout out Your praise **Chorus 2** There's joy in the house of the Lord There's joy in the house of the Lord today We're gonna shout out Your praise There is joy There is joy surely in this place We won't be quiet We shout Your praise Misc 4 (Ending) We shout out Your praise There is joy in this house

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His Mercy Is More Matt Boswell and Matt Papa Verse 1 What love could remember no wrongs we have done **Omniscient all knowing He** counts not their sum Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many His mercy is more Verse 2 What patience would wait as we constantly roam What Father so tender is calling us home He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor

Our sins they are many His mercy is more Verse 3 What riches of kindness He lavished on us His blood was the payment His life was the cost We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford Our sins they are many His mercy is more **Chorus 1** Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy is more

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All I Have Is Christ Jordan Kauflin Verse 1 I once was lost in darkest night Yet thought I knew the way The sin that promised joy and life Had led me to the grave I had no hope that You would own A rebel to Your will

And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still Verse 2 But as I ran my hell-bound race Indifferent to the cost You looked upon my helpless state And led me to the cross And I beheld God's love displayed You suffered in my place You bore the wrath reserved for me Now all I know is grace Chorus 1 Hallelujah all I have is Christ Hallelujah Jesus is my life

Verse 3 Now Lord I would be Yours alone And live so all might see The strength to follow Your commands Could never come from me O Father use my ransomed life In any way You choose And let my song forever be My only boast is You © 2008 Sovereign Grace **Praise CCLI Song #5174122 CCLLI** License #144020

Bells of Celebration

Our God Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman, Jesse Reeves, and **Chris Tomlin** Verse 1 Water You turned into wine Opened the eyes of the blind There's no one like You None like You Verse 2 Into the darkness You shine Out of the ashes we rise There's no one like You None like You Chorus 1 **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 **Bridge 1** And if our God is for us Then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us Then what could stand against And if our God is for us Then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us Then what could stand against (Then) what could stand against

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Turn Your Eyes Helen H. Lemmel, George Romanacce, Nic Trout, and Kevin Winebarger Verse 1 Turn your eyes upon Jesus Look full in His wonderful face And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of His glory and grace Verse 2 Turn your eyes to the hillside

Where justice and mercy embrace There the Son of God gave His life for us And our measureless debt was erased Chorus 1 Jesus to You we lift our eyes Jesus our glory and our prize We adore You behold You our Savior ever true Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You Verse 3 Turn your eyes to the morning And see Christ the lion awake What a glorious dawn fear of death is gone

For we carry His life in our veins Verse 4 Turn your eyes to the heavens Our King will return for His own **Every knee will bow every** tongue will shout All glory to Jesus alone © 2018 You Simply Love Publishing (Admin. by Kevin Winebarger) and Remaining portion is unaffiliated CCLI Song #7120053 CCLI License #144020

Pastor Jim Cecy

"Enjoying the Abundant Life of Jesus: Joyful Life"
Colossians 3:15-17

Introduction: "What is God's will for my life?"

1 Thessalonians 5:18 - "In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

"JOYOUSLY giving thanks to the Father..." (Colossians 1:12)

- Jesus: "These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full" (John 15:11).
- James: "Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials..."
 (James 1:2).
- Peter: "...though you have not seen Him (i.e., Christ), you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory" (1 Peter 1:8).
- Paul: "Rejoice in the Lord always" (Philippians 4:4).

A thankful life that shows in a thankful face begins with a thankful heart.

A joyful life begins with an attitude of gratitude.

Almighty God loves to bring a smile to our faces! (cf. Job 9:27; Psalm 42:11)

Colossians 3:15-17 – "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom

teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father."

The Keys to Living a Joyful and Thankful Life That Shows

Key #1: Letting the Peace of Christ Rule in Us Daily Colossians 3:15 – "Let the peace of Christ rule in your

hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body..."

What is the Peace of Christ? #1. It's the peace we find in the person of Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 2:14 – "For He Himself is our peace..."

- #2. It's the peace we receive when we trust in Christ. Romans 5:1 "Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ..."
- #3. It's the peace the world can never offer.

John 14:27 – "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful."

- #4. It's the peace we can never fully understand. Philippians 4:7 "And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, shall guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."
- #5. It's the peace that assures us that God is in control of the details of our lives. (cf. Hebrews 3:5)

#6. It's the peace we need to rule our lives.

Colossians 3:15 - "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body..." The Greek word brabeuo here translated "rule" is a word that speaks of acting like a referee...an umpire. Each of us, as members of the heavenly team, are to let the peace of Christ have the final say in all of our earthly matters.

The evidence of a heart filled with the peace of Christ is...THANKFULNESS Colossians 3:15 - "...and be thankful."

Key #2: Letting the Word of Christ Dwell in Us Richly Colossians 3:16 – "Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another..."

We need the Word of God to "dwell "(Greek: enoikeo) — i.e., to inhabit us— to make its home in our hearts so we

can enjoy all it's amazing wealth and life-changing wisdom. In Philippians 2:16 the Apostle Paul calls believers to a life of "...holding fast (Greek: epecho = retaining/taking hold of) the word of life..." cf. Psalm 119:11 - "Your word I have TREASURED in my heart, that I may not sin against You."

When the Word of Christ is richly dwelling within us it easily flows out from us in abundant joy and thanksgiving!

Colossians 3:16 – "Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God."

The evidence of a heart filled with the Word of Christ is THANKFULNESS that shows.

Just as a peaceful heart is accompanied by thanksgiving, a teachable heart is accompanied by the same joyful spirit.

"...with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs..."

A heart in tune with God can't help but JOYFULLY sing His praises.

Key #3: Letting the Character of Christ Influence Us Thoroughly.
Colossians 3:17a - "And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks

through Him to God the Father."

What we say and do must reflect the name...the character ...the life of Christ.

Colossians 3:17 – "Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus..."

1 Corinthians 10:31 –
"Whether, then, you eat or
drink or whatever you do, do
all to the glory of God."
The evidence of a heart filled
with the life of Christ is
THANKFULNESS...a life that is
"...giving thanks through Him
(i.e. the Lord Jesus Christ) to

God the Father" (Colossians 3:17).

Concluding Challenge:

"Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials..."
(James 1:2)

"Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father." (Colossians 3:17)

"Joy is the flag flown high from the castle of my heart

when the King is in residence there."

"Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy..."
(Jude 1:24)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Why do you think it is "God's will" that we be

- thankful "in everything" (1 Thess. 5:18)?
- 2. How important is it for thankfulness to show on our faces?
- 3. Which of the three keys to living a joyful life (based on Colossians 3:15-17) do you have the most trouble

demonstrating?

- Letting the peace of Christ rule in me daily
- Letting the word of Christ dwell in me richly

- Letting the character of Christ influence me thoroughly
- 4. What did you get most out of this message?