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New Songs

By: Ron Rupè

King David wrote, "Sing unto the Lord a new song." David took his own admonition to heart; he was always writing and singing new songs to the Lord. It seems like every circumstance of his life inspired a new song. His victories inspired songs of deliverance and praise; his trials inspired songs of petition and devotion; his failures inspired songs of sorrow and repentance. Truly, this man believed his purpose was to worship the Lord.

Child of God, God deserves a "new song" from you today, new praise, a fresh testimony. This song should be about deliverance, mercy and grace! There should be new inspiration in your heart to worship your God!

Consider the source of this inspiration:

First, the Lord's mercy and compassion are new every morning (Lam. 3:22-23). We can never exhaust the mercy of the Lord! However, if it can be said that we used up some of his mercy today, according to Lamentations, he renews that supply of mercy tomorrow! As the song, "Great is Thy Faithfulness" proclaims: "Morning by morning, new mercies I see!" These new mercies inspire a new song in us!

Second, the Lord daily loadeth us with benefits (Ps. 68:1-9). Every day we receive a fresh supply from the Lord: Grace, provision, strength, and protection for the new day! Truly every good and perfect gift comes from the lord; and we receive these gifts daily. This too is inspiration for a new song unto the Lord.

Consider this last idea: The Lord renews our spirit day by day (2 Cor. 4:16). As our day is so is our strength. On occasion, our strength is spent by day's end, but, in the morning, we start fresh with the Lord; our determination, commitment, and strength renewed by the Lord. Again, we find inspiration here for a new song unto the Lord!

Friend, what kind of song do you sing? Is it the sad song of the world? Or perhaps, it's a song about long ago blessings when you used to walk close to the Lord. The children of God have better songs to sing than these; songs of deliverance, mercy, and grace. New mercies! Fresh Grace! Oh sing unto the Lord a new song!

Jesus is All the World to Me

By: Will L. Thompson

Jesus is all the world to me, My life, my joy, my all;
He is my strength from day to day, Without Him I would fall;
When I am sad to Him I go, No other one can cheer me so;
When I am sad He makes me glad, He's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me, My friend in trials sore;
I go to Him for blessings, and He gives them o'er and o'er;
He sends the sunshine and the rain, He sends the harvest's golden grain;
Sunshine and rain, harvest of grain, He's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me, And true to Him I'll be;
O how could I this friend deny When he's so true to me?
Following Him, I know I'm right, He watches o'er me day and night;
Following Him, by day and night, He's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me, I want no better friend;
I trust Him now, I'll trust Him when Life's fleeting days shall end;
Beautiful life with such a friend, Beautiful life that has no end;
Beautiful life, Eternal joy, He's my friend.

C.W. Naylor / C.E. Hunter

God's way is best; if human wisdom A fairer way may seem to show,
'Tis only that our earth-dimmed vision The truth can never clearly know.

Had I the choosing of my pathway, In blindness I should go astray,
And wander far away in darkness, Nor reach that land of endless day.

He leadeth true I will not question, Tho' thro' the valley I shall go,
Tho' I should pass through clouds of trial, And drink the cup of human woe.

God's way is best; heart cease they struggling
To see and know and understand;
Forsake they fears and doubts, but trusting, Submit thyself into His hand.

Thy way is best, so lead me onward, My all I give to they control;
Thy loving hand will truly guide me, And safe to glory bring my soul.

God's way is best, I will not murmur, Although the end I may not see;
Where'er He leads I'll meekly follow - God's way is best, is best for me.

Testimonies

When I was about 12 years, old my whole life changed. I met my best friend. I'll never forget the day I was saved. The congregation was singing the hymn "Just As I Am". I'm so thankful that God did accept me just like I was and then totally changed my life. I'm not going to tell you that it has always been easy because it hasn't. There have been times that I've wondered if I'm going to make it through but God has always been faithful to me. He has been right there with me through every test and trial, every joy and happiness. He's truly the best friend I've ever had. I don't know what I would do without Him! Many of us have wonderful family and friends we can depend on for encouragement and help in our times of need or to just share in our precious moments but God is there even when they can't be. He's there in the middle of the night when it's too late to call anyone for prayer. He's there and He wants to be a part of your life. He wants to hear all about your day and the situations you have faced, the exciting things going on in your life and even the disappointments. He already knows all about you but He wants to share it with you. I have never regretted turning my life over to Him. Although He never promised an easy life He did promise to always be with us. I can't thank Him enough for all He has done. He has always been so patient with me. There have been times when it feels as if I keep having the same battles over and over again but I know no matter what we go through He has a lesson for us to learn that will help us become stronger and more successful for Him. He has always been faithful to me and I want to always be faithful to Him. He cares so much about even the smallest things. Have you ever stopped to look at the clouds or the sunset and wondered why He took so much time to put color and texture in them when it seems most people don't even notice they're there? To me that is important because if He cares enough to do that, don't you think He cares enough to help you through whatever you are going through? He sees and cares about even the smallest detail of our lives. The things that we think aren't important enough to share with others, He sees and He cares about even them. I heard a song once that says exactly what I'm trying to say. It said, "What made God put so much care into creation's flow? He could have made it black and white and we'd have never known." The truth is that many things we take for granted are actually gifts from God. Without Him we would have nothing. My prayer is that I will always keep Him the center of my life and remember all that He has done for me. For without Him, I'll never make it through.

Kari Chancellor

By Geneva Garmen



(Taken from the Remnant)

Hello boys and girls! Do you like to learn Bible verses? A good verse to learn is in Psalms 119:11. "Thy word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against thee."

Another scripture you should learn is found in 1 Peter 1:15. "But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation." That means, be a Christian in all we do, what we say, where we go, and how we act. Some people do not believe you can be holy like Christ. Those who do not believe the Bible are wrong and may not know that the Bible tells us in Hebrews 12:14 that without holiness no man shall see the Lord. Living holy is being a light, even if it is a tiny light.

Some people pretend to be holy by going to church and putting on their "Sunday Go To Meeting Clothes." But during the week, or when they are away, they do not live, or act, as a Christian should. They do not know that holiness is good for every day of the week; in fact, it is the only way we should live for a life time.

I had an interesting experience when my children made it possible for me to take a vacation on a cruise ship. Many people on the ship were older people like me, but I soon realized I was different. As a Christian I was modestly dressed just like I would be no matter where I was. I was careful what activities I took part in because I did not want to do anything that was not Christ-like. I enjoyed myself, met a lot of people, but knew I was the little old lady with a long dress, no makeup or jewelry, and wore my hair in the same way I always have. I knew I was a "spectacle" and was on display. That did not cause me a problem. I was glad I could be a light to others around me.

During one of the nights on the ship, I had a dream. I saw a tiny light in the top of one of the beautiful mountains around the island I was visiting. Streams of light were shining out to all who came in contact with it. When I awoke I remembered the dream and thought of the scripture that tells us to let our light shine before men that they may see our good works and glorify our Father who is in heaven. I was glad I could live right, act right, talk right, and look right everywhere I went. I had a lovely time and enjoyed seeing many beautiful things that only God could create.

Children, do not be afraid to stand for what is right and live by the holy standard Christ established for His church - the church of God. Your light may lead someone to Christ and they, too, can enjoy the wonderful life of a Christian - pure and holy.

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE! THE GREATER THE DARKNESS, THE BRIGHTER YOUR LIGHT WILL SHINE!



Prayer of the Month

Dear Heavenly Father,

I pray that you will stay by my side today and help me through whatever I shall face. Please give me the grace and strength to stay true to you and to always be what you'd have me to be.

Amen

He that is looking for an easy way to heaven is sure to be shocked when his ticket for eternity is read.

A. K. Chancellor

Testimonies

I have been saved for five years this month. As I think about it, I feel privileged to be growing up in a Christian home. My parents have raised me right from the very beginning, but I still did sin. The things I did were small in the eyes of people, but in the eyes of God they were just as bad as any other sin.

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Service Times:

Wednesday Prayer Meeting	7:00p.m.
Sunday School	9:30a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30a.m.
Sunday Young People's Service	4:45p.m.
Sunday Children's Service	5:00p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00p.m.

We have literature available for those who would like to study the Word of God in the confines of their home. Let us know if you are interested by contacting us at the above telephone number, address, or website.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble, Be still and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.



Psalms 46:1,10, 11