

The Songs of Christmas
Joy to the World (Psalm 98)
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Advent Joy

- ◆ _____ ≠ _____.
- ◆ “Joy is the settled _____ that God is in control of all the details of my life, the quiet _____ that ultimately everything is going to be alright, and the determined _____ to praise God in every situation.” Kay Warren
- ① Joy is an _____ of God. Job 38:7; Ps. 45:7; Rom. 14:17
- ② Joy only comes _____ God. Gal. 5:22
- ③ God wants us to _____ joy. Lk. 2:10; Jn. 15:11
- ④ The joy of the Lord calls for a _____.

Joy To the World and Psalm 98

- ◆ _____ Psalms celebrate the reign of God as King. Ps. 93-100

Sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him. Ps. 98:1

- ◆ Salvation (*hosiah*) = _____. 1 Cor. 15:57
- ◆ Vs. 1-3=we sing to God because He is the _____.

Shout for joy before the LORD, the King. Ps. 98:6b

- ◆ Vs. 4-6=all creation shouts for joy to the Lord b/c He is the _____.
- ◆ We are royal subjects of the King, and we have the privilege and honor of _____ Him and His Kingdom well. 1 Pet. 2:9

He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.
Ps. 98:9b

- ◆ Vs. 7-9=everything created is to resound with praise to God because He is the _____.
- ◆ Rather than judged guilty, we have an _____. 1 Jn 2:1-2
- ◆ Because of who _____ is & what He has done, we can have _____.

Joy to the World

Isaac Watts (1719)

Joy to the world! The Lord is come.
Let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room.
And heaven and nature sing.
And heaven and nature sing.
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing

Joy to the Earth! The Saviour 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

No more let sins and sorrow grow.
Nor thorns infest the ground.
He comes to make His blessings flow.
Far as the curse is found.
Far as the curse is found.
Far as, far as, the curse is found.

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!