

*"I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go into the house of the Lord."*

- Psalm 122:1 -

Worship Makes Me Glad

by Leroy Brownlow

Worship should make us glad — not bore us. For we were born to worship, and this innate desire is fully satisfied only in worship to Jehovah our God. Worship does several things:

• *In worship, we remember.* We remember that God is over our lives, our world and our future. We remember from where our strength comes and from whom our blessings flow. We remember how God has blessed us, provided for our needs and leads us gently, patiently through the wilderness.

• *In worship, we are refreshed.* God is omnipresent and is with us always. We are never out of His mind. However, God is very often out of our thoughts and our minds; and it is very refreshing for us to put all other thoughts aside to focus more clearly and singularly upon our Father. Then in quiet meditation and communion with God, we find peace. We find the calmness and serenity that our hearts desperately seek and seldom find. Indeed, worship refreshes the soul for the future struggles.

• *In worship we realize.* Having remembered the source of our strength, having been refreshed by solitude with our Maker, we realize more fully than ever before what is important in life. Without the cataracts of frantic living and the myopia of unconfessed sin, we see our priorities more clearly. We see what is important and who is important. Our eyes are opened to the neglected opportunities and missed blessings around us.

Truly, worship is a marvelous, invigorating experience!

- from "A Psalm In My Heart" © (used by permission)

Let Us With A Gladsome Mind

*Let us with a gladsome mind Praise the Lord, for He is kind;
He with all commanding might filled the new-made world with light;
He the golden tressed sun caused all day his course to run;
All things living He doth feed, His full hand supplies their need;
Let us then, with gladsome mind, Praise the Lord for He is kind;
For His mercies aye endure, ever faithful, ever sure.*

- John Milton, 1623 -

Happiness is a way station between too much and too little..

News & Notes

2020 CALENDAR CHANGES

- No Fellowship meals until further notice (maybe September for our meeting).
- Area-Wide Sing (Chester & St. Clair Ave.) at St. Clair Ave., **June 5 - CANCELED.**
- Our VBS, **June 15-19, CANCELED.**
- Summer Bible Camp, **July 6-11. Postponed until 2021.**

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS: Dave Exline (Hanoverton congregation) needs an aorta valve replacement and also has pulmonary hypertension.

SHUT-INS: CROSSROADS: Sarah Miller. **VALLEY OAKS CARE CENTER:** Fred Larrimore, (Room 210). **IN FLORIDA:** Ilene Rayl, 1745 Pointe West Way, Vero Beach, FL 32966 (new address).

For Mothers On Mother's Day

Our world sometimes takes a dim view of motherhood, but we must not. Good mothers are to be honored.

Worthy mothers cannot be praised enough. They are a priceless part of the beauty that is still in our world.

We owe praise to our fellow human beings who accomplish great things. This is also true of our worthy mothers.

God compares His own love to the love of a mother. Her love is great and His greater still.

We praise you today, loving mothers, for filling our hearts with joy and loving us with your very life.

- Author Unknown, via Southside Church of Christ, Killeen, TX -



*Love your Mother
Today*

*vain are all our tributes to her if in words
alone they dwell.*

*We must live the praises due her; there's
no other way to tell*

*Gentle mother that we love her. Would you say,
as you recall*

*All the patient service of her, you've been
worthy of it all?*

- from "Mother's Day" by Edgar A. Guest -