

NEW SONG

JOY COMES IN THE MORNING

Pastor Derwin L. Gray – November 20, 2016

Read Psalm 30, then open in prayer.

HOW DO YOU LEARN TO DANCE IN THE RAIN?

Note: The psalmist begins this thanksgiving psalm—which is specifically identified as a song—with a praise of thanks to Yahweh for rescuing him from death (vv. 1–3). The psalmist then addresses the saints (or holy ones) and encourages them to join in praising Yahweh (vv. 4–5). He briefly describes his distress (vv. 6–7) and cries to Yahweh for help (vv. 8–10) before concluding with thanks and praise (vv. 11–12). Barry, J. D., Mangum, D., Brown, D. R., Heiser, M. S., Custis, M., Ritzema, E., ... Bomar, D. (2012, 2016). Faithlife Study Bible (Ps 30: title–12). Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press.

1. By faith, remember to exalt the Lord for His grace in your life. Read Psalm 30:1-3 NIV.
 - a. How does remembering how God healed or rescued you from physical, mental, or emotional harm affect your life?
 - b. The great enemy is ultimately spiritual and physical death.
 - c. Read Ephesians 2:1-7 ESV What is the significance of this text in your life and our church?
2. By faith, remember your need for corporate worship. Read Psalm 30:4-5 NIV.
 - a. Pastor Derwin said, “Corporate worship is when God’s people gather together to remind themselves of how great God is. This corporate gathering instructs and encourages our hearts.” Expound on this in discussing why corporate worship is important.
 - b. Read Psalm 90:14 NIV
 - c. Hessed is God’s covenantal, loyal merciful love towards His people. Pastor Derwin said, “God’s saints (holy ones) are thus the members of the Covenant People of God: the people who walk in God’s loving care and who seek to pass His love on to others as a result.” Why is this important?
3. By faith, remember how much you need the Lord. Read Psalm 30:6-7NIV.
 - Take a moment to pray for each other to remember that when it seems like God is hiding His face, stand strong in His grace knowing that His love is loyal.
4. By faith, refuse to be silent in the rain! Sing a new song to the Lord and dance!
 - a. Read Psalm 30:8-12 NIV and 1 Corinthians 15:20-26 NLT
 - b. Based on these two texts, why can we dance and sing in the rain?

Soul-tattoo: Commit to participating in corporate worship as much as possible.

- o Go to the TC website and download the “New Song” mp3. Listen to it throughout the week and thank God for allowing you to learn how to trust Him through the storms of life. (www.TransformationChurch.tc)
- o Close in prayer.