

## Joyful, Joyful

*Henry van Dyke*

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Singing bird and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus,  
Which the morning stars began;  
Love divine is reigning over us,  
Binding all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music leads us sunward  
In the triumph song of life.

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# God Promises

ABIDING JOY

*I bring you good news of great joy that  
will be for all the people. Luke 2:10 NIV*

## *God Promises*

I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. *Luke 2:10 NKJV*

## *God's Invitation*

As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Now remain in My love. If you obey My commands, you will remain in My love, just as I have obeyed My Father's commands and remain in His love.

I have told you this so that My joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. *John 15:9-11 NIV*

Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy! *Psalms 126:5 ESV*

Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full. *John 16:24 ESV*

I will rejoice in the LORD; I will take joy in the God of my salvation. *Habakkuk 3:18 ESV*

## *God's Love*

You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore. *Psalms 16:11 ESV*

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. *Romans 15:13 NIV*

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. *Galatians 5:22-23 ESV*

## *Prayer*

Dear Lord, we thank You for Your great love for us. You've called us to obey Your commands and love each other. Fill us with joy and peace as we trust in the Father. Help us to overflow with hope in the power of Your Holy Spirit. Give us love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control in all things. Bless and keep us for Jesus sake, Amen.