

"Shout for Joy"

Psalm 100:1–5

30 July 2023

INVITATION

1. Can you recall a specific time in your life when you didn't feel like praising but you did anyway? Did your attitude and outlook change afterwards? How so?

RECOLLECTION

2. What stood out to you as you listened to the sermon Sunday morning? Was there anything said on which you require further clarity?

Are there areas in which you would like to see change in your own walk with the Lord? How can your Grace Group hold you accountable?

OBSERVATION

3. Verse 3 says that, because God "made us ... we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture." Does this mean that everyone that God created is one of his sheep? How does the New Testament then distinguish between "sheep" and "goats" (see Matthew 25:31–33ff)?

APPLICATION

4. "All of life is to be worship." Do you agree? What qualifies an act as "worship"?

5. We are commanded to “make a joyful noise to the Lord.” What does this say about worship in song? Will any noise do? What sorts of principles should guide our joyful noise-making?

Does BBC’s corporate worship qualify as a “joyful noise” (or a triumphant shout, as some translations put it)? Ought we to be more outwardly emotive in our expressions of worship?

6. How does v. 5 empower our obedience to the imperatives in vv. 1–4? Why will any other motivation ultimately fall short of fuelling obedience?
7. God is eternally faithful, which invites us into a relationship of trust. What are some of the practical ways we can display this trust?

SUPPLICATION

8. Write down some prayer requests mentioned in your Group and pray for them throughout this week.

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