

Faithful, Joyful, and Triumphant

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*Joy to the World, the LORD has come, let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room – and Heaven and Nature Sing*

*Joy to the world, the Savior reigns, Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains - Repeat the sounding joy*

*He rules the world with Truth and Grace and makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness – and wonders of His love*

But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart
Luke 2:19

What is God giving me to ponder?

*O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant! O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him, born the King of Angels: O come, let us adore Him - Christ the Lord.*

1. JESUS HELPS US BECOME MORE FAITHFUL.

looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, ...
Hebrews 12:2

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.
Romans 10:17

*When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am
the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.*
Isaiah 43:2-3

2. JESUS HELPS US BECOME MORE JOYFUL.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,
Galatians 5:22

*“Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made
full.”*
John 16:24

*And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the
people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.*
Luke 2:10-11

3. JESUS HELPS US BECOME MORE TRIUMPHANT.

*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name
shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his
government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it
and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore.*
Isaiah 9:6-7