

Practice

Description

Psalm 33:1-11.

I have always wanted to play the guitar. I even bought one in hopes of learning how to play it. Owning a guitar and having the desire to learn how to play, however, doesn't equal knowing how to play skillfully or at all. It also doesn't mean that I ever did the work to learn to play skillfully. Learning to play skillfully means lots of practice.

The Lord asks us in today's scripture to sing a new song, to play skillfully, and to shout for joy. How do we do that? We do that when we practice trusting in Him daily. We do that when we practice being grateful and thankful, not just when things are going well, but also when things are hard.

The ability to sing a new song and shout for joy comes from regularly practicing prayer, offering gratitude, and giving thanks. This gratitude is not just when things go our way, not just when we need something, or get what we ask for, or receive an unexpected blessing. The ability to sing a new song and shout for joy comes from giving thanks on a daily basis, in all circumstances.

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