

Call To Worship

**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. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

- **Isaiah 9:6-7**

Joy To The World

Chorus

*All of heaven and all creation sing
The wonders of his love
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The wonders of his love*

Verse 1

*Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.*

Verse 2

*He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.*

Verse 3

*No more let sin and sorrow grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.*

Noel

Verse 1

*Love incarnate, love divine
Star and angels gave the sign
Bow to babe on bended knee
The Savior of humanity
Unto us a Child is born
He shall reign forevermore*

Chorus

*Noel, Noel
Come and see what God has done
Noel, Noel
The story of amazing love!
The light of the world, given for us
Noel*

Verse 2

*Son of God and Son of man
There before the world began
Born to suffer, born to save
Born to raise us from the grave
Christ the everlasting Lord
He shall reign forevermore*

Confession

Almighty God,

When we allow darkness to overcome the light, **forgive us, Lord.**

When we reduce Christmas to plastic and tinsel, **have mercy on us, Father.**

When hardness of heart keeps us from seeing and hearing and touching, **let your grace consume us, O God.**

When we allow ourselves to be drawn towards idols, **remind us of your power and glory that brings salvation and hope. Amen.**

- Adapted from *The Worship Sourcebook*

The Unbelievable

Verse 1

*Come and see the inconceivable
And believe the unbelievable
God has come to dwell with us*

*Begotten Son born into Adam's earth
Promised One fulfilling ancient words
God has come to dwell with us*

Chorus

*Who could ever know
The depths of the myst'ry of Your grace
Though our minds can't take it in
Lord our hearts are filled with praise*

Verse 2

*He will heal the unhealable
He will save the unsavable
God has come to dwell with us*

*Heaven's joy will drink our bitter cup
Emptied out as He is lifted up
God has come to dwell with us*

Verse 3

*Lord we're lost in overwhelming awe
At the thought of such amazing love
God has come God has come
God has come to dwell with us*

Corporate Prayer

Sermon: Acts 6:8-8:1

God Is For Us

Verse 1

*We won't fear battle, We won't fear the night
We will walk the valley with you by our side*

*You will go before us, You will lead the way
We have found a refuge only You can save*

Chorus

*Sing with joy now our God is for us
The Father's love is a strong and mighty fortress
Raise your voice now no love is greater
Who can stand against us if our God is for us*

Verse 2

*Even when I stumble, Even when I fall
Even when I turn back still Your love is sure*

*You will not abandon, You will not forsake
You will cheer me onward with never ending grace*

Bridge

Neither height nor depth can separate us

Hell and death will not defeat us

He who gave His Son to free us

Holds me in His love