Give it a Tune (sjm 2-8-2025)

[Play Song - Beautiful Noise - Neil Diamond]

What beautiful noise – Good news of the gospel

It got a beautiful sound & beautiful beat

Going on everywhere - Rhythm to spare

It's the sound that I love and it fits me so well like a Hand in a Glove – It is the holy spirit

Beautiful noise coming into my room and begging for me to give it a tune

What song has God placed in your heart & have you given it a tune?

Ps 40:3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord.

Ecc 3:1 Times and Seasons Time to: Get your swagger back,

Time to Show excitement as a Child of God.

Time for it to be evident that we are Christians!

Time to walk or <u>behave</u> in a very confident & almost <u>arrogant</u> or aggressive manner. They Can see it by watching you Time to walk with a **beat** to your step, Countenance radiating, H/G Fire coming out of your mouth w/ words of Power

Christians should be the most confident, bold & courageous of all peoples (what was Joshua's command) (study under military generals, council with the wisemen, practice hand to hand combat?) Study/Meditate the Word

1 Peter 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light;

Chosen – not a fluke, not a random event

Royal Priesthood - kingly, residence of royalty

Holy - sacred, sanctified, consecrated, "the Lords Holy People"

Peculiar People - A special people

Shew forth the praises - shew the world his goodness, excellence and virtue

- John 10:10 a) The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; (wants Christians to be ineffective, downtrodden, hopeless & to be poor witness to the world)
 - b) I have come that they may have life, and have it to the fullest
 In the Bible, the "Zoe life" is the eternal life that comes from God & is described as the "God-kind of life". It is a life that is full, abundant, and indestructible.
- Ps 16:11 In his presence is fulness of joy (not hopelessness) One Hebrew definition of Joy "all one could want" (light & lively, walking in Joy, cause we are in his presence, unlimited enthusiasm, zeal of the Lord (a term used to describe God's intense love, loyalty, & commitment to his people)

In Jesus Presence "Depression, discouragement, anxiety, stress, overarching concern, fear (its crippling) hopelessness" doesn't stand a chance. We are in the world, but not of the world! Not controlled by the word's system.

Ps 42:5 Why are you in despair, my soul? And why are you restless within me? Wait for God, for I will again praise Him For the help of His presence, my God

In his Presence we are not weak:

Is 40:29 He gives power to the faint & to them with nio might, he gives strength! Is 40:31 mount up with wings as an eagle (very impressive)

I believe we as a body of Christ, God is calling us to go into higher realm – Very much true for this church

I see great things happening in the realm of spirit. I feel it in my heart. Others tell me the same thing

Deut 28:10 And all the earth's peoples will see that you are called by the Lord's name, and they will be in awe of you.

Awe = respect, revere, to be feared, to intimidate, to be honored, to stand in awe:

God told Joshua: Only be strong & courageous fear not nor be dismayed) Must have been an opportunity for this? Commanded us to take what is rightfully ours (health, jobs, relationships, walking in your calling, gifts of God)

Strong – Not going forth in your own power or strength (your right hand) "But In God's Strength"

Courage - "Strength of mind to carry on despite danger or difficulty" outward

- The God given Ability to continue even though there are risks Brave, Courageous, feerless, bold
- keep moving forward against opposition.

Be not afraid - Unwilling or reluctant to do something for fear of the consequences.

- What will people think (will I not be as popular) Walking in fear Extreme form = to be terrified

Nor be dismayed – To be upset, worried, agitated, shattered, frightened or panicky

The prophet Jeremiah was not popular with his peers because he told Jerusalem that the city would be destroyed and the people would be exiled.

John the Baptist was beheaded for speaking out against the immorality and injustice of his leaders.

Micah the Old Testament Prophet was not popular because he spoke the truth.

Paul admonished Timothy to Stir up the Gift of God in him

Matt 6:25-34 Theme: Take no thought for tomorrow (Translated - distracting care) Faith believes God will provide for tomorrow. (Worry – will not at a single hour to your life)

TLB - Live one day at a time

MSG - Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now, and don't get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow. God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes.

OJB - tomorrow, for makhar (tomorrow) will care for itself.

Matt 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Luke 10:41 Martha thou are worried and upset about many things (means distracted)

1 Pet 5:6 Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time

Humble = To make low

Exalt = To lift up or elevate (we go low in humility & he goes high in lifting up)

7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

Casting = To throw upon

Careth = To be of interest or concern, forethought

- Phil 4:6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer & supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.
 - 7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts & minds through Christ Jesus.
 - Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are **true**, whatsoever things are **honest**, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.
- Matt 11: 28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
 - Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.
 - For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light:

Labour = Feel fatigue by implication of hard work, toiled, be weary

Heavy Laden = To load up, overburden with spiritual anxiety

Yoke = A curved bar of wood which are attached two hops or bows. They fit around oxens necks. Two oxen yoked together in this manner share the burden of drawing a plow or heavy load.

Rest = Take ease, refresh, repose, to be exempt