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TO HOLD FAST**

In the Waiting Room

Psalm 33

God Calls Us to Rejoice

Psalm 33:1-3



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- ¹ Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous;
it is fitting for the upright to praise him.
- ² Praise the LORD with the harp;
make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre.
- ³ Sing to him a new song;
play skillfully, and shout for joy.



God Calls Us to Reflect

Psalm 33:4-19



We have a wonderful God who...

- always speaks the truth

⁴ For the word of the LORD is right and true;
he is faithful in all he does.



We have a wonderful God who...

- sticks by us - He is loyal.

⁵ The LORD loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of his unfailing love.



We have a wonderful God who...

- is all powerful.

⁶ By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,
their starry host by the breath of his mouth.

⁷ He gathers the waters of the sea into jars^[a];
he puts the deep into storehouses.

⁸ Let all the earth fear the LORD;
let all the people of the world revere him.

⁹ For he spoke, and it came to be;
he commanded, and it stood firm.



We have a wonderful God who...

- is working out His plan.

¹⁰ The LORD foils the plans of the nations;
he thwarts the purposes of the peoples.

¹¹ But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever,
the purposes of his heart through all generations.

¹² Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,
the people he chose for his inheritance.



We have a wonderful God who...

- sees clearly and continually.

¹³ From heaven the LORD looks down
and sees all mankind;

¹⁴ from his dwelling place he watches
all who live on earth—

¹⁵ he who forms the hearts of all,
who considers everything they do.



We have a wonderful God who...

- loves and is able to help.

¹⁶ No king is saved by the size of his army;
no warrior escapes by his great strength.

¹⁷ A horse is a vain hope for deliverance;
despite all its great strength it cannot save.

¹⁸ But the eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him,
on those whose hope is in his unfailing love,

¹⁹ to deliver them from death
and keep them alive in famine.



God Calls Us to

Actively Wait

Psalm 33:20-22



What kind of waiting is this?

- Patient – God is our help and shield.

²⁰ We wait in hope for the LORD;
he is our help and our shield.



What kind of waiting is this?

- Buoyant – our hearts rejoice in Him (not circumstances).

21 In him our hearts rejoice,
for we trust in his holy name.



What kind of waiting is this?

- Informed – we trust in His Holy Name.

21 In him our hearts rejoice,
for we trust in his holy name.



What kind of waiting is this?

- Focused – on God Himself and His mission.

²² May your unfailing love be with us, LORD,
even as we put our hope in you.

