

Psalm 98:1-3

Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord

***Oh sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things!***

***His right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.***

***The LORD has made known his salvation;
he has revealed his righteousness
in the sight of the nations.***

***He has remembered his steadfast love
and faithfulness to the house of Israel.***

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

A song of praise for redeeming love is a new song, a mystery hidden from ages and generations. Converts sing a new song, very different from what they had sung. If the grace of God put a new heart into our breasts, it will put a new song into our mouths. Let this new song be sung to the praise of God, in consideration of the wonders he has wrought. The Redeemer has overcome all difficulties in the way of our redemption, and was not discouraged by the services or sufferings appointed him. Let us praise him for the discoveries made to the world of the work of redemption; his salvation and his righteousness fulfilling the prophecies and promises of the Old Testament. In pursuance of this design, God raised up his Son Jesus to be not only a Light to lighten the Gentiles, but the glory of his people Israel. Surely it behoves us to inquire whether his holy arm hath gotten the victory in our hearts, over the power of Satan, unbelief, and sin? If this be our happy case, we shall exchange all light songs of vanity for songs of joy and thanksgiving; our lives will celebrate the Redeemer's praise.- *Matthew Henry, MHCC*