

Write a Psalm



“Psalms are poems, and poems intended to be sung.”

C. S. Lewis

Way back in 1993, as a new Christian, I was assigned a task which had such an impact on my life that I want to recommend it to you today.

In our Monday morning ladies fellowship group, we'd been studying some of the Psalms, and at the end of the study, we were all given the task of writing a psalm to share in the group the following week.

I was eager to honour God with my psalm because my search for truth had been a long, nine-year journey of exploration, but He had honoured my desire to find Him with revelations, which left me sure of His reality and the path to finding Him. Well, try as I might, when pen met paper, the words just wouldn't come, not that is, until I actually turned to God and asked Him to help. Then, as if in a flash, words, which spoke of my journey and commitment, began to tumble out and before I knew it, my psalm, featured below, was finished!

Today, I want to encourage you to write your own psalm, one that delivers your heart to God. It may be full of praise such as Psalm 145 or one calling out for help such as Psalm 86. Read them both, but ask God to lead you as you read and as you write, and if you'd like to share your finished work here in Barbara's Sweet Surprises, send it to admin@thelittlechurchworld.org with your name and contact details.

A Psalm of Thanksgiving and Commitment

*Oh Lord you sent me searching,
To find the truth of life
I trailed down paths you knew were dark
But you saved me from all strife*

*I love you for your patience
And your caring as my guide
And giving me the freedom
to come and be at your side*

*No pressure, threats or forcefulness
you used to set me free
just your gentle caring loving self
showing me all I needed to see*

*And as a child of yours I felt
Protection, when in need
Just as you promised long ago,
you're there for all you've freed*

*What joy it gives my heart to dwell,
upon you, every day
To know you're alive and listening to me,
when I begin to pray.*

*Oh thank you Lord for everything
you've done for me and mine
I promise you I'll work for yours
until the end of time.*

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