

JOY

Jesus said:

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy is complete. John 15

Isaiah said:

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing... 35

For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands... 55

- * How would you define JOY? COMPLETE JOY?
- * Have you considered the ways in which JOY spills out from creation?
- * How does JOY spill out from YOU?

Who will read with me?

The Book of Joy
by His Holiness the Dalai Lama,
Archbishop Desmond Tutu



First Christian Church

mostly but not really

Weekly Musings

PONDER

Just got home from Illinois, lock the front door, oh boy!

*Got to sit down, take a rest on the porch
Imagination sets in, pretty soon I'm singin'
Doo, doo, doo, lookin' out my back door*

*Giant doin' cartwheels, statue wearin' high heels
Look at all the happy creatures dancin' on the lawn
Dinosaur Victrola list'nin' to Buck Owens
Doo, doo, doo, lookin' out my back door*

*Tambourines and elephants are playin' in the band
Won't you take a ride on the flyin' spoon? Doo, doo, doo
Wond'rous apparition provided by magician
Doo, doo, doo, lookin' out my back door*

*Tambourines and elephants are playin' in the band
Won't you take a ride on the flyin' spoon? Doo, doo, doo
Bother me tomorrow, today, I'll buy no sorrow
Doo, doo, doo, lookin' out my back door*

*Forward troubles Illinois, lock the front door, oh boy!
Look at all the happy creatures dancin' on the lawn
Bother me tomorrow, today, I'll buy no sorrow
Doo, doo, doo, lookin' out my back door*

CCR, Lookin' Out My Back Door by John Fogerty

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aae_RHRptRg

John Fogerty wrote this for his 3 year old son after reading *And to Think I Saw It On Mulberry Street* by Dr. Seuss.

- * What was your favorite book, song as a child?
- * How did you use your imagination as a youngster?
- * What made you happy when you were 10 years old?
- * What makes you happy now?