## God is Your Father (PD221120C – Nov 20, 2022)

Just as we were worshiping here, I got a word for somebody and I'm just going to share it. Just listen because it might be for you. What I saw was that there's a person, a couple of people, whoever you are, you've been kind of miserable in life and you haven't really known what to do. But you know what to do. It's like you know in your heart to seek the Lord, but when you seek Him it's almost like the misery doesn't go away so you back off. What the Lord is saying is that if you're going to be miserable anyways you might as well keep pushing in so that you come out on the other side.

Sometimes you go through the hardships; even worse, the darkest point before the dawn, so to speak. But you've got to purpose in your heart to push through it. We sing these songs about worship and praise – praise before my breakthrough and raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies no matter what's going on – and when we go home, do we do it because that's really the victory.

We can get a release here on Sunday, but it's going home and doing it. And really, the part that was so strong is that if you're miserable anyways, you may as well press through so that when you look back you see growth instead of more failure. And not that God sees you as a failure. He doesn't. But He's always longing and drawing and wooing you to Himself. What you need to know is, it's worth it. It's worth it.

The emotional and mental stress and the anguish that you're feeling whenever you press in, that's just your flesh; circumstances coming against you, the enemy bringing everything at you because he doesn't want you [in] freedom. But push through because there's victory for you. Push through because there's victory for you. Don't let how you feel stop you. Because there is joy in the morning if you keep pressing.

I'm just going to sing this song over you, a prayer is really what it is.

"Lord, I thank you for your people. I thank you for your children. I'm asking you right now to bless them and fill them afresh Lord. Let them sense your presence. Let them know you more, filled to overflowing. Let them know you're their hope. Let them know you're their hope. Let them know you're their hope. Give them joy for gladness. Gladness instead of sadness for mourning. Give them what they need to seek your face. Filled to overflowing. Oh God, you can do it. Nothing is too difficult for you." – Even right now, raise your hands. Raise your hands to heaven.

"Lord, we receive it. Lord we receive your joy and gladness instead of mourning. Yes, Lord. Lord, we receive it. Lord, we receive it. We receive your joy and gladness instead of mourning. We receive your joy and gladness instead of mourning. Yes we do Lord. We receive your joy and gladness instead of mourning."

Sing, "I belong to you."

"Because I belong to you, Lord. Oh, I belong to you Lord. Because I belong to you, Lord. I belong to you Lord. I receive your joy and gladness instead of mourning. I receive your joy and gladness instead of mourning. Because I belong to you, Lord."

Do you believe this tonight?

"I belong to you, Lord. I receive your joy and gladness instead of mourning. I receive your joy and gladness instead of mourning. I receive your joy and gladness instead of mourning."

*And the Father said*, "You belong to Me child. You belong to Me child. You belong to Me child. I am your Father. You belong to Me child. You belong to Me child. You belong to Me. I am your Father. I am your Father. I am your Father."

"What a joy to serve you God. What a joy to know you God. What a joy to be loved by You. Loved by My Father. What a joy to know you God. What a joy to know you God. To be loved by You. Loved of My Father. Loved of My Father. Loved of My Father."