



Strikepoints

Majesty

Words and Music by Jack Hayford, 1934—

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O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth. (Psalm 8:1)

There are many attributes of the Lord that should prompt our response of adoration and worship: His holiness, His power, His love...A very popular contemporary song by the Rev. Jack Hayford, senior pastor of the Church of the Way in Van Nuys, California, also teaches that the very regal majesty of Christ deserves our praise. This text further reminds us that Christ's dominion

over principalities, His power, and His absolute majesty in heaven are for the benefit of those who trust and follow Him here and now.

Pastor Hayford relates the following account for the writing of "Majesty:"

In 1977, my wife Anna and I spent our vacation in Great Britain, traveling throughout the land from the south country and Wales to the northern parts of Scotland. It was the same year as Queen Elizabeth's 25th Anniversary of her coronation, and symbols of royalty were abundantly present beyond the usual.

While viewing many of the ancient castles throughout the land, Pastor Hayford began to reflect on the truth that the provisions of Christ for the believer not only include our forgiveness for sin but provide a restoration to a royal relationship with God as sons and

daughters born into the heavenly family through His Majesty.

As Anna and I drove along together, at once the opening lyrics and melody of "Majesty" simply came to my heart, I seemed to feel something new of what it meant to be His—to be raised to a partnership with Him in His throne. Upon returning to our home in California, I was finally able to complete the song.

Pastor Jack Hayford provides this interpretation for his song:

"Majesty" describes the kingly, lordly, gloriously regal nature of our Savior—but not simply as an objective statement in worship of which He is fully worthy. "Majesty" is also a statement of the fact that our worship, when begotten in spirit and in truth, can align us with His throne in such a way that His Kingdom authority flows to us—the overflow us, to free us and channel through us. We are rescued from death, restored to the inheritance of sons and daughters, qualified for victory in battle against the adversary, and destined for the Throne forever in His presence.

From *Amazing Grace*
by Kenneth W. Osbeck

BIBLE VERSE: Psalm 29:4 (NLT)

⁴ The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

Song of the Month— “Majesty”

Majesty, worship his majesty;
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.

Majesty, kingdom authority,
Flow from his throne unto his own, his anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.

Majesty, worship his majesty,
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.



September Birthdays

Cheryl Lukac September 5

Sarah Sheffield September 15



**Celebration Ringers / Chimes of Joy
Rehearsal Schedule**

September 11 4:00 Parent / Ringer meeting
 September 11 5:45 PM Rehearsal
 September 18 5:45 PM Rehearsal
 September 25 5:45 PM Rehearsal



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**Echoes of Faith
Rehearsal Schedule**

September 11 4:00 Parent / Ringer Meeting
 September 11 4:30 Rehearsal
 September 18 4:00 Rehearsal
 September 25 4:00 Rehearsal

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**Resound
Rehearsal Schedule**

September 11 4:00 Parent / Ringer Meeting
 September 11 5:00 Rehearsal
 September 18 PRELUDE 11:00 Service
 September 18 5:00 Rehearsal
 September 25 5:00 Rehearsal

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Notes from the Director...

Here is a reminder about the schedule for next Sunday (9/11)...

4:00 PM Parent / Ringer meeting
4:30 PM Youth Rehearsal
5:00 PM Adult Rehearsal
5:45 PM Children's Rehearsal

In the meeting you will receive the fall schedule and will allow you to ask any questions or provide any comments that you may have. Please bring anyone that is interested in playing with you. If you are returning this year and are unable to make it this Sunday—PLEASE let me know ASAP so I know to account for you.

YOUTH—you will normally rehearse at 4:00 PM.

DECEMBER 17—please mark this evening down on your calendar and reserve it. We will be helping put on a Dessert Dinner Theater in the Family Life Center as part of a Music Department Fundraiser. We will need ALL Handbell participants to help out in one way or another and we will be a part of the entertainment for the evening. I will be getting more information to you in October and as we set details but I wanted to make sure you have this date on your calendar.

ADULTS & YOUTH—there are 2 festivals that I want you to attend (at least one of them). Both are optional and we will take only those that can go.

November 12—Mid Carolinas Handbell Festival at First Presbyterian Church in Uptown Charlotte
March 3-4, 2006—Area III Intergenerational festival in Hickory, NC.

Watch the website for more details on cost and deadlines to let me know if you can go. Some information will also be on the calendar you receive next Sunday.

Sarah