

Thursday 14 January 2021

*Ps.95,2-3 "Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods."*

*1Tim.6,15-16 "God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honour and might for ever. Amen."*

The heart inclined to follow this invitation to express and show joy before God in music and song, is the heart which knows the LORD, that He is God.

Such a heart is found but in them who are conscious of Christ, that He is Lord – not just in a general sense Lord but *their* Lord, as Thomas confessed before the risen Christ: 'My Lord and my God' (Jn.20,28).

The invitation rests on being conscious of Christ – who he is (the LORD) and what he has done for us (died for our sins, reconciled us to God and gave us a heavenly inheritance with him). There is so much given to us we can be conscious of. Let us remember to be conscious of Christ (and ever increasingly so, with help of the Spirit)!

*"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."* (Phil.4,4-7)