

My Soul Cries Out With a Joyful Shout

The hymn, “My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout” is a paraphrased version of “The Magnificat”, Mary’s praise to God, sung during her visit to Elizabeth soon after knowing that she was chosen to bring the Christ Child into this world—and the prospect of the world being turned around.

Mary, a fifteen-year-old, cries out, “Though I am small, my God, my All, You work great things in me.” Although Mary has been deemed of no significance by some—just a face in a Nativity picture—we are aware of how important she really was in God’s Plan.

At that age, she is aware of the wondrous things God brings to the ones who wait in Faith—even as she and the world wait in great anticipation for the birth of Christ and God’s Plan to turn the world around.

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