

# JOY

Rejoice...

The man (imprisoned!) wrote  
And though enchained the joy-full note  
Transcended dungeon, guard, and fetter  
Enthused the Spirit's lovely letter  
And bids us grace and peace

Rejoice...

In every prayer of mine!  
For fellow branches in The Vine  
The gospel spreads! And this is true  
The One began this work in you  
And will bring it to completion!

Rejoice...

For Christ has more acclaim!  
When servants suffer for The Name  
Though one may live or one may die  
There's joy when Christ is lifted high  
Who grants eternal life

Rejoice...

And strive to be as one!  
Like the Father and His Son  
Like Jesus drawing humbly near  
Regard the more our brother dear  
More dearer than ourselves

Rejoice!

Again I say, "Rejoice!"  
With calm secure contented voice  
For we have cast on Him our care  
Knowing that He hears our prayer  
And guards our hearts

Rejoice...

I want you all to hear it!

Your prayers... the gracious Holy Spirit  
Shall deliver me yet once again  
No matter what may come... *amen*  
For to die is gain!

**Paul's letter to the Philippians**