

Presence

A painting by Bethany Joy

I created this artwork as a response whilst sitting outside listening to worship music. One song stuck out in particular which repeats the phrases 'the whole point of my existence is to know you Lord', 'I was made for Jesus...to walk in the cool of the day with you'. As I sat and painted, I felt joy in being reminded again about the purpose of my life and accessibility of God's presence.

There were multiple times I wanted to give up on this painting, but as I kept going and adding layers the more it came together and the more satisfied I was with it. As we hold onto Him, walk with Him, we grow and develop layers and lives moulded by His presence. This is where we can find fullness of joy, within the Lord's presence walking (or painting) in the cool of the day with Him.

Song

~ Made for Jesus ~ John Mark Pantana, Olivia Dyer

Verse

~ In your presence there is fullness of joy ~ PSALM 16:11