

Jesu Joy Of Mans Desiring
Johann Sebastian Bach

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Arranged by Jeff Johnson from sheet music.

Standard tuning, key of G, 3/4 time.

The melody consists of triplet eighth-notes, nine/measure, except where marked as duplets (_2_), i.e., 2 notes/beat instead of three. The bassline consists of quarter notes, three/measure.

Written inline, without repeats, because each time through a section is slightly different. E.g., the first few notes of Verses 2 and 3 differ >from those of Verse 1, the last measure of Chorus 3 differs from those of Choruses 1 and 2, and the last note of Verse 3 (which leads to the Bridge) differs from the last note of Verse 1. I thought it would be too complicated to try to indicate in a single tab of a section what to play on each different time through that section.

Crucial fingerings are marked when not obvious, e.g., (3).

Verse 1	(2)
(2) (4)	(3) (4)
-----0-----	---3p2-3-----
-----0h3-1-1---3-	-3-----3p0-----0-
---0h2-0-----	-----0h2---
-----2-----	-----2-----
-----	-2-----
-3-----	-----0-----
	(1) (1)
! ! ! ! ! !	! ! ! ! ! !

-----0-----	-----
-1h3---3p1-0---0---	-----1p0---
-----2---0---	---0h2-----2-----2-
-----	-4-----0h4-----
-0-----2-----3-----	-5-----
-----	-----

(4) (4)

| !!! | !!! | !!! | !!!

(1) (1) (3)

-----0---	---3p2-3-----
-0-----0h3-1-1---3-	-3-----3p0-----0-
---0h2-----	-----0h2---
-----2-----	-----2-----0---
-----3-----	-2-----
-3-----	-----

(2) (2)

| !!! | !!! | !!! | !!!

III_____

-----	-----3-----
---3p1-0-----	-----3---3-----3-
-----2p0---0---	---4-----4---4---
-2-----4-----4-	-5-----5-----
-3-----4-----5-----	-----
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(3) (3) (3)

| !!! | !!! | !!! | !!!

Chorus 1

(4)

II_____

-3-----	-----
-0-----1-----	-3-----3-----
-0-----0-----	-2-----2-----
-----4-----2-----	-4-----2-----0-----
-----	-----
-3-----	-----

| !!! | !!! | !!! | !!!

(4)

(2)

-----	-----
-1-----0-----	-----1p0---
-0-----0-----	-2-----2p0-2-----
-2-----4-----	-0-0h2h4-----
-----	-----
-----	-----

| !!! | !!! | !!! | !!!

2

-----	-----
-1-----1p0---	-0-----1-h3---
-2-----2-----2-	-0-----0-----

-----4-0h4-----	-----4-----2-----
-----	-----
-----	-----3-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----	-----
-----3-----0-----	-----0h1-0-----
-----	-----2-----2-----
-----2-----	-----0-----
-----2-----2-----	-----3-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

Verse 2

-----0-----	---3p2-3-----
---0---0h3-1-1---3-	3-----3p0-----0-
0---2-0-----	-----0h2---
-----2-----	-----2-----
-----	-----2-----
3-----	-----0-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----0-----	-----
1h3---3p1-0---0---	-----1p0---
-----2---0-	---0h2---2---2-
-----	4---0h4-----
0---2---3---	5-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----0-----	---3p2-3-----
0---0h3-1-1---3-	3-----3p0-----0-
---0h2-----	-----0h2---
-----2-----	-----2-----0-----
-----3-----	-----2-----
3-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

---3p1-0-----	(I skip the G arpeggio this
-----2p0---0---	time, and cut straight to
2-----4-	the chorus, but one could
3---4---5---	play it again, if desired.)

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Chorus 2

-----	-----
0-----1-----	3-----3-----

-0-----0-----	-2-----2-----
-----4-----2-----	-4-----2-----0-----
-----3-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----	-----
-1-----0-----	-----1p0-----
-0-----0-----	-2-----2p0-2-----
-2-----4-----	-0-0h2h4-----
-----	-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

2

-----	-----
-1-----1p0-----	-0-----1-h3-----
--2-----2-----2-----	-0-----0-----
-----4-0h4-----	-----4-----2-----
-----	-----
-----	-3-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----	-----
-3-----0-----	---0h1-0-----
-----	-2-----2-----
-----2-----	-----0-----
-2-----2-----	-3-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

Verse 3

-----0-----	---3p2-3-----
---0---0h3-1-1---3-	-3-----3p0-----0-
-0---2-0-----	-----0h2-----
-----2-----	-----2-----
-----	-2-----
-3-----	-----0-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----0-----	-----
-1h3---3p1-0---0---	-----1p0-----
-----2---0-	---0h2-----2-----2-
-----	-4-----0h4-----
-0-----2-----3-----	-5-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----0-----	---3p2-3-----
-0-----0h3-1-1---3-	-3-----3p0-----0-
---0h2-----	-----0h2-----

-----2-----	-----2-----0-----
-----3-----	-----2-----
-----3-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

	III_____II
-----3-----	-----3-----
---3p1-0-----	---3---3-----2-
-----2p0---0---	---4-----4---4---
-----4-----	-----5-----
-----4-----	-----5-----
-----5-----	-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

Bridge

(2)	(4)
-----2-----	-----
-----3-----0-----	-----1-----1-----
-----2-----1-----	-----2-----2-----
-----0-----	-----2-----2---0h2-
-----5-----3-----2-----	-----0-----3-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

(3) (4)	
-----0-----1p0-	-----
---3p1-3p0-----	---1p0-1---3-3-----
-----1-----1-----	-----2-----
-----3-----2h4-----	-----3-----0-----
-----	-----0-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

III_____	(2) (3)
---5-4-5-----	-----1p0-----
-----5-----5-----0h1-	-----3-1p0-----
-----5-2-----	-----2---2p1-
-----3-----2-----	-----0-----1-----2-----
-----3-----	-----
-----	-----0-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

V_____	
-----5-----	-----0-----0-----
-----5-----3-----	-----1-----1-----
-----5-----0-----	-----0-----0-----
-----	-----2-----
-----2-----	-----3-----3-----
-----5-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----0h1-----	-----3p0-----
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-3-----3-----	-1-----1-----
-2-----0-----	-0-----0h2h3-
-3-----0-----	-2-----
-----	-3-----
-----3-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----	-----
--1p0-1-----	-----0-----
-2-----2-----	-----0--0--2-
-----3-0h2h3-	-2--0-2--4-----
-----	---3-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

Chorus 3

-----	-----
-0-----1-----	-3-----3-----
-0-----0-----	-2-----2-----
-----4--2-----	-4--2--0-----
-----	-----
-3-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----	-----
-1-----0-----	-----1p0-
-0-----0-----	-2-----2p0-2-----
-2-----4-----	-0-0h2h4-----
-----	-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----	-----
-1-----1p0-----	-0-----1-h3--
--2-----2-----2-	-0-----0-----
-----4-0h4-----	-----4--2-----
-----	-----
-----	-3-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

-----	-----
-3-----0-----	---0h1-0-----
-----	-2-----0--2-----
-----2-----	-----0--5--4--
-2-----2-----	-3-----2-----
-----	-----
!!! !!! !!!	!!! !!! !!!

(4)(3)

Transition to Finale

III

-----3-----	-1-----0-----
-----3---3-----3-	---3-----3---1---
---4-----4---4---	-----4---4-----2-
5-----5-----	-----5-----
-----	-----
-----	-----
! ! ! ! ! !	! ! ! ! ! !

-----	-----
-----1h3p0-----0-	-1-----1p0---
---2-----0---0---	---2-----2-----2-
4-----2-----	-----4-0h4-----
-----	-----
-----	-----
! ! ! ! ! !	! ! ! ! ! !

Verse 4 (Finale)

-----0---	---3p2-3-----
-----0h3-1-1---3-	-3-----3p0-----0-
---0h2-0-----	-----0h2---
-----2-----	-----2-----
-----	-2-----
3-----	-----0-----
! ! ! ! ! !	! ! ! ! ! !

-----0-----	-----
1h3---3p1-0---0---	-----1p0---
-----2---0-	---0h2-----2-----2-
-----	-4-----0h4-----
0-----2-----3-----	-5-----
-----	-----
! ! ! ! ! !	! ! ! ! ! !

-----0---	---3p2-3-----
0-----0h3-1-1---3-	-3-----3p0-----0-
---0h2-----	-----0h2---
-----2-----	-----2-----0-----
-----3-----	-2-----
3-----	-----
! ! ! ! ! !	! ! ! ! ! !

Ritard (slow down)

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---3p1-0-----	-----3p0-----
-----2p0---0---	-0=====
2-----4-----	-----
3-----4-----5-----	-----
-----	---3=====

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