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# BETHEL MUSIC'S BRIAN & JENN JOHNSON AFTER ALL THESE YEARS

Brian & Jenn Johnson are co-founders of Dove Award winning Bethel Music, WorshipU, and have been integral in the production of more than 15 albums that have influenced the culture of worship across the global church.

More than 10 years since their last solo release, The Johnson's debuted their highly anticipated studio album *After All These Years* at the end of January 2017, capturing the wonder, conviction, and tenderness of heart behind the story of who they've become and who they've remained over the past season.

In addition to writing and recording songs for Bethel Music's compilations, their previous solo releases include live-worship albums *Undone* (2001) and *We Believe* (2006).

The album is filled with new music penned by Brian and Jenn, along with never-before-heard worship songs that have been years in the making. "We wrote this album because of seasons that God has proved His faithfulness in," share the Johnsons. "This project is the overflow and expression of that. We hope it inspires you to go after all that God is asking you to do. We've watched our parents and grandparents do this, and they have handed down a model that has influenced how we live and how we are dreaming into the future. Community, family, and carrying His name - that is the kingdom - and that is for every believer."

From its start, the album's title track sweeps listeners across a moving orchestral landscape paired with honest lyrics sung by Brian, "It amazes me after all You've done, it amazes me,

You're still running after us..." This theme marks the project as a whole: a reflective look back on God's faithfulness, and a hopeful looking ahead.

Each song reflects the seasoned journey of its writers and carries a message that the unseen history we build with God is the greatest treasure that sustains our lives personally, and from generation to generation. This 10 track album hit No. 1 on the iTunes Christian Albums chart. It has been applauded as "beautiful offerings of worship" and "sure to be one of the top worship albums of the year."

Stylistically, the album takes a distinct turn from anything Bethel Music has previously recorded; lush arrangements recorded by an 80-piece symphony orchestra are the hallmark of each track. In lyric and instrumentation, the project evokes a feeling of timelessness and unfettered hope.

Brian & Jenn are committed to raising healthy family, cultivating community, and fostering unity among worship leaders from around the world. Together they are passionate about raising up worshippers who take hold of their true identity and pursue intimacy with God above all else. Brian and Jenn reside in Redding, California, with their three wonderful children. They are committed to raising healthy family, cultivating community, and fostering unity among worship leaders from around the world. 📌

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