

Crossway
Multinational
Church

We will begin around 10AM
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Lord Almighty,
blessed is the one who trusts in you.
Psalm 84:12

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Our greeting time will begin shortly,
thank you for coming early!

June 14, 2020

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**Welcome to
Crossway Multinational Church!**

We strive to be a **church** that is
for, of and by
the **peoples** of many **nations**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign up for church e-mails
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| | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|------|--------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| June | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
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| July | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
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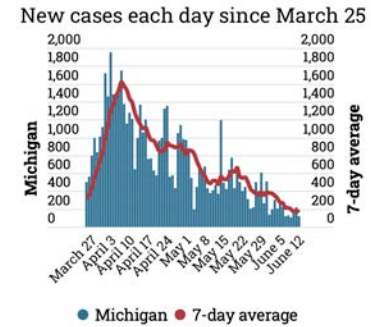
Prayer Gathering, 4:30pm

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Regathering in Person Again

Progress in Michigan!

Daily cases
New cases each day since March 25



Michigan ● 7-day average

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Regathering in Person Again

Small group gatherings

Team: Marita de Leon, Allan Greig, Pastor John

As people are comfortable, we encourage small groups to gather (<10 indoors, larger outdoors)

- Social distance between households
- Indoors: use masks (perhaps outside too)
- In homes, at parks, or other places

Possibilities: Life Groups, join via Zoom to worship service, other times of care and encouragement

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Regathering in Person Again

Large group gatherings

Team: Jim & Jean Eddy, Amara Onye, John Tilden, John Bonnell, Ben MacGown, Pastor John

We will continue to support Zoom for large and small groups

Perhaps July 12: mid-sized group in the building as a host for the Zoom

worship service

More information coming...



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GREETINGS

Take a moment to turn on video and “look around”

- Feel free to use the chat function to greet others too

Waving poll: **Give a big wave if ...**

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Lord Almighty,
blessed is the one who trusts in you.

Psalm 84:12

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Psalm 46
For the director of music.
Of the Sons of Korah.
According to alamoth.
A song.

God is our refuge and strength,
 an ever-present help in trouble.

Sons of Korah = family in Israel with responsibility for worship
 alamoth = perhaps a musical term

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Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
 and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
 though its waters roar and foam
 and the mountains quake with their surging.

quake = shake
 surging = the rising of the waters

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There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
 the holy place where the Most High dwells.
 God is within her, she will not fall;
 God will help her at break of day.
 Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
 he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

The Lord Almighty is with us;
 the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Jacob = Israel

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Come and see what the Lord has done,
 the desolations he has brought on the earth.
 He makes wars cease
 to the ends of the earth.
 He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
 he burns the shields with fire.

desolations = mighty 'destructive' acts

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He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth."

The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

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Blessed be the Name of the Lord

Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be the name of the Lord
Most High!

Blessed be the name = Praise! Let everyone know!

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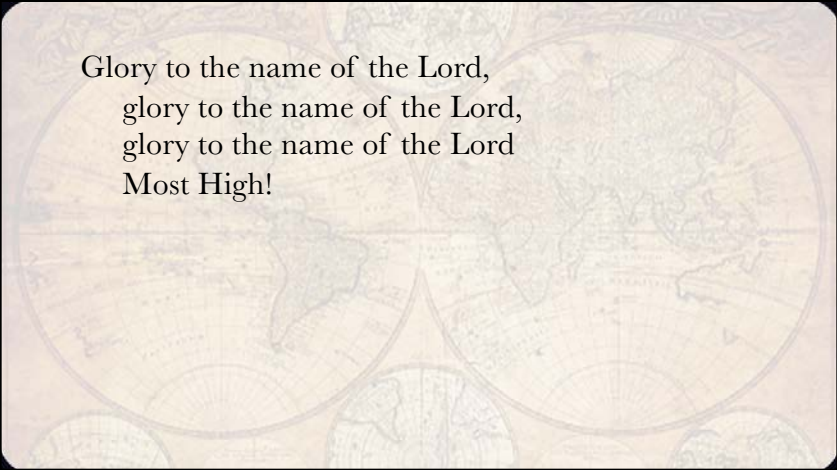
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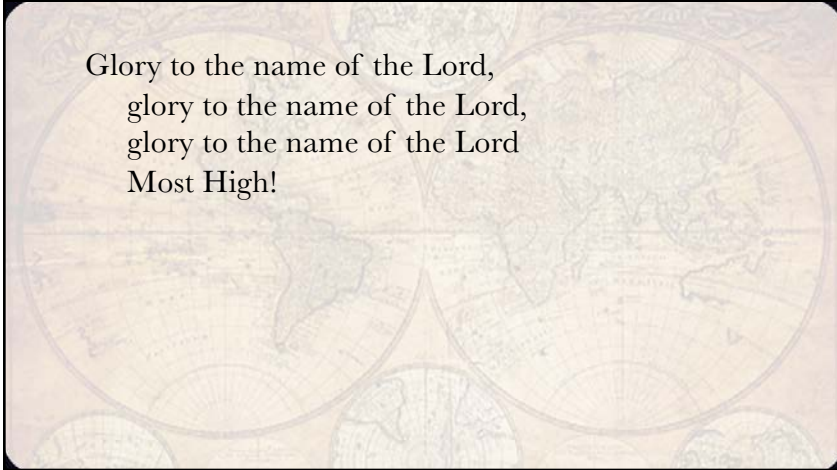
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tower = place of protection
righteous = those who trust in His Name

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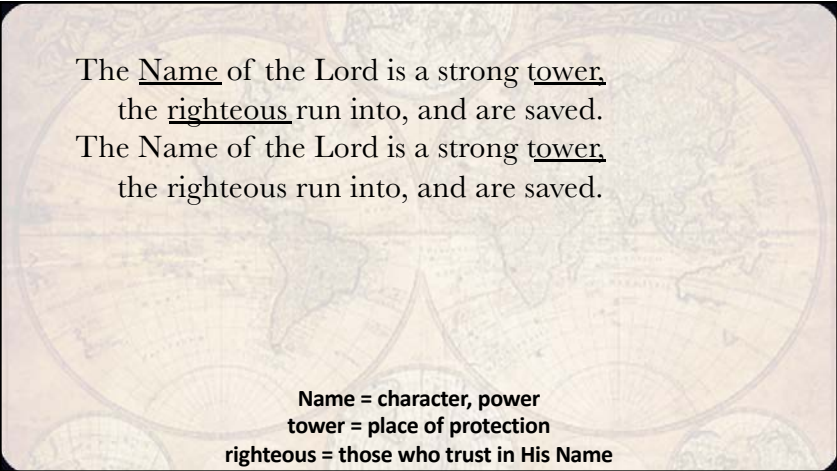
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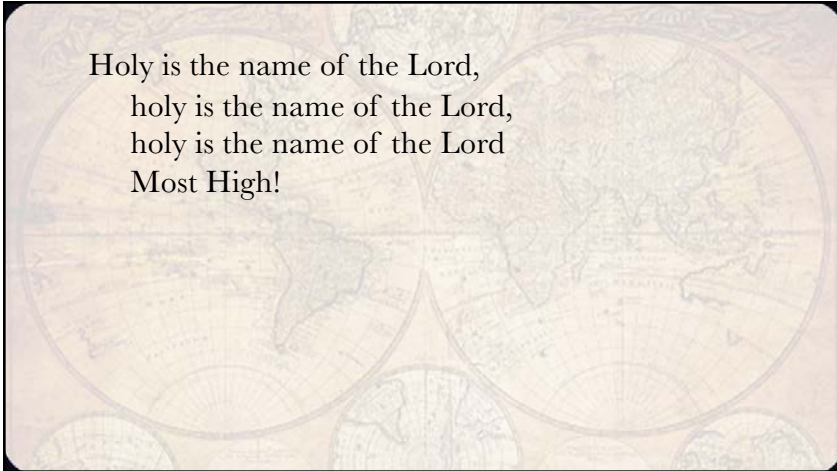
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Holy is the name of the Lord,
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holy is the name of the Lord
Most High!

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 Most High!

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A Mighty Fortress

A mighty fortress is our God,
 a bulwark never failing;
 our helper He, amid the flood
 of mortal ills, prevailing:

bulwark = protective wall
amid = in the middle of
flood = an outpouring or long series
mortal ills = problems that can kill us
prevailing = winning or conquering

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For still our ancient foe
 does seek to work us woe;
 His craft and power are great,
 and, armed with cruel hate,
 on earth is not his equal.

ancient foe = Satan
woe = harm
craft = cunning and skill
his equal = as powerful as Satan is

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Did we in our own strength confide,
 our striving would be losing;
 were not the right Man on our side,
 the Man of God's own choosing:

confide = trust or depend
striving would be losing = even our work would hurt us
the right Man = Jesus Christ

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Does ask who that may be?
 Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth, His Name,
 from age to age the same,
 and He must win the battle.

Does = Do you?
 Lord Sabaoth = Lord of the heavenly armies
 must win = His win is a certainty

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And though this world, with devils filled,
 should threaten to undo us,
 we will not fear, for God hath willed
 His truth to triumph through us:

with devils filled = so many evil spirits
 undo us = destroy us
 hath = has

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The Prince of Darkness grim,
 we tremble not for him;
 His rage we can endure,
 for lo, his doom is sure,
 One little word shall fell him.

Prince of Darkness = Satan
 grim = dreadful
 tremble not = not afraid of
 rage = violent anger
 lo = Behold! See!
 doom = destruction
 fell him = knock down, end his power

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That Word above all earthly powers,
 no thanks to them, abideth;
 The Spirit and the gifts are ours
 through Him Who with us sideth:

That Word = Jesus Christ
 abideth = remains in power
 sideth = defends and protects

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Let goods and kindred go,
 this mortal life also;
 The body they may kill:
 God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever.

kindred = family, relatives
mortal life = our physical lives that will end
abideth = remains in authority
His kingdom = God's ways for His people

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We Have an Anchor

Will your anchor hold in the storms of life,
 when the clouds unfold their wings of strife?
 When the strong tides lift, and the cables strain,
 will your anchor drift or firm remain?

anchor = what provides hope
unfold = send out
strife = angry disagreement
cables strain = connection to anchor that may break
firm remain = stay solid

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We have an Anchor that keeps the soul
 steadfast and sure while the billows roll,
 fastened to the Rock which cannot move,
grounded firm and deep in the Savior's love.

billows = giant waves
Rock = Jesus Christ
grounded = held securely

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Held secure by faith, in the Savior's hands,
shielded by his grace, on Christ we stand.
 He is Lord of all, we should never doubt
 through uncertain times, He is solid ground.

shielded = protected
grace = God's powerful kindness for His people

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You have carried us, through the raging sea,
in the fire and flood, we stand redeemed.
Through the storms of life, you will not let go,
this our confidence, that our anchor holds.

raging = violent anger
fire and flood = all that threatens us
redeemed = rescued

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English

Faithful One
신실한 나의 하나님

Faithful One, so unchanging
신실한 의 하나님
Sin sil han Naeu Hananim

Ageless One, You're my rock of peace
영원한 평강의 반석
Young won han Pyung gan eu ban seok

Ageless = never aging or getting weak
rock = reliable source of strength

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Lord of all, I depend on You
만유의 주의 지하며
Man yu eu Ju eu ji hamyeu

I call out to You, again and again
주를 부르네 영원 영원히
Jululbulune youngwon youngwon hee

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You are my rock in times of trouble
환난날에 내반 석되시며
Hwan nan nal ae naeban seok dae si myeu

You lift me up when I fall down
넘어질 때 도우시네
Neum eou jil dae do wu si ne

rock = reliable source of strength

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All through the storm, Your love is the anchor
시험속에 주사랑날 붙드네
Si heum sok ae Ju sarang nal bu du ne

My hope is in You alone
주만 이나의 참 소망
Ju man ie na eu cham so mang

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Korean

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.”

Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

Luke 10:36-37

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WORDS OF ASSURANCE

When the rebellious prodigal son returned home...

“The father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate.

Luke 15:22-24

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Uruwashiki Mina (His Beautiful Name) Japanese

主をほめたたえよ

→ Shu wo home tatae yo

Praise God, praise the Holy Lord

そのうるわしき御名を

So no uruwashiki mina wo

And praise to His Holy name

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その栄光を、その御手の技を
 → Sono eikou wo, sono mite no waza wo
*Oh, praise the Lord for His glory,
 and praise for the works of His hands*
 心からとこしえに
 Kokoro kara tokoshie ni
And with all your heart praise forever
 主に贖われた者よ
 Shu ni agana wareta mono yo
You who are redeemed by the grace of the Lord
 redeemed by the grace = rescued by Jesus Christ

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神の子とされた者よ
 Kami no ko to sareta mono yo
You who are the children of our God

Japanese

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION
Updates from our special offering
 Cornerstone Church: worship service outdoors @ 11am



**Coronavirus Updates -
 Returning to In-Person
 Worship on June 14th**

Updated Tuesday, June 9th

As we meet outdoors, please prayer for our preparation, physical and tech set-up, good weather, safety, and that people stumble on us worshipping outside and hear Christ's Good News.

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION
Updates from our special offering
 Clever Chengari and STRAIGHTWAYS Ministry
 Gweru, Zimbabwe
**"We are not afraid of Coronavirus
 rather we fear starvation."**



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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION
Updates from our special offering
 Charles “Jabush” Awuor of Shauri Moyo Ministry
 Nairobi, Kenya



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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION
Updates from our special offering
 Pastor Hideki of New Life Int’l Fellowship, Myanmar
Greetings from Yangon. Thank you for your contribution to NLIF. We are blessed so deeply by this gracious gift. Please send our greetings to all your members. We pray that God will bless all of you abundantly spiritually and materially.
We are also grateful for your prayers for us. We’d also like to pray for you and your church. Please let us know how we can pray for you.
Blessings, Hideki

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION
Updates from our special offering
 Pastor Timothy, Naypyitaw Christian Church, Myanmar
Hello Sir How are You? By the Grace Of God We are fine.
Today I received Money From Our Sister Ma Ni Lar 647000 kyats. I want to say Thankyou Very much Sir. May God Bless Crossway Multinational Church and All the Members and Pastor.
In Christ
Rev.Timothy Ling Thang
Nay Pyi Taw Myanmar

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION
Updates from our special offering
 Update on local gifts to:

- Lansing Christian Services: \$547
- Lansing City Rescue Mission: \$1,093

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Cornerstone Church: outdoor worship today
STRAIGHTWAYS Ministry – Gweru, Zimbabwe
 Clever Chengari
Shauri Moyo Ministry – Nairobi, Kenya
 Charles “Jabush” Awuor
Naypyitaw Christian Church, Reverend Timothy
New Life International Fellowship, Pastor Hideki
Christian Services of Lansing
City Rescue Mission of Lansing

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Listening to Diverse Voices

it mightnot beobvious

“In a lawsuit the first to speak seems right, until someone comes forward and cross-examines.” *Proverbs 18:17*

To whom are we listening?
Who ‘cross-examines’ what we have heard?

- People in the majority **don’t have to** listen to minority voices
- People in the minority **can’t avoid** listening to the majority
- About joys & sorrows & struggles, theology, politics, ...
- What you read, watch, ‘like’ and ‘follow’

Essential for Crossway: **listening** across differences: race, ethnicity, nationality, socio-economic status, communities, denominations, ...

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Fixing what is Broken

What is something you have that has been broken?
 How about something very valuable to you?
 What can you do with something that is broken?

Key beliefs in Christianity:

- God created a good world, with nothing broken in it
- Today the world and everything in it is broken

Our question:
 What is God’s intention for a world, along with its people, that has been broken?

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More than Rescued
Luke 19:1-10

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Upcoming Sermons at Crossway

Connecting through Stories with Jesus

- Watching people's encounters with Jesus in the Gospel of Luke
- Hearing our people's stories with Jesus

Listening to Amos

- An Old Testament "minor prophet" with a major message
- God's confrontation of a religious community that tried to separate the horizontal from the vertical

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Setting of Luke 19

A rich ruler wanted to follow Jesus

Jesus said, "If you want to follow me, give all your money to the poor, and you'll have treasure in heaven."

"When he heard this, the man became very sad because he was very wealthy. Jesus looked at him and said, '**How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!** Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.'"

Those who heard this asked, "**Who then can be saved?**"

Luke 18:23-26

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Setting of Luke 19



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Luke 19:1-10

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1-2: Setting and characters

- 3-4: • Jesus: on his way to Jerusalem
- 5: • Jericho: wonderful place for tax collectors
 - Lots of taxable traffic going to and from Jerusalem
- 6-7: • Zacchaeus
- 8: • Beneficiary of an unjust social system
- 9-10: • And he was good at it
 - So the rest of the Jewish people despised him

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Luke 19:1-10

1-2: Setting and characters

3-4: Zacchaeus broke social norms in order to see Jesus

- 5: • We don't know why he was interested
- 6-7: • Maybe because one of Jesus' chosen followers was a tax collector: Levi
- 8: • Being short and being rich blocked his way to Jesus
- 9-10: • He ran and climbed a tree to see Jesus
• Not honorable actions

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Luke 19:1-10

1-2: Setting and characters

3-4: Zacchaeus broke social norms in order to see Jesus

- 5: Jesus broke social norms in order to be with Zacchaeus
- 6-7: • We don't know how Jesus knew Zacchaeus
- 8: • Certainly he was looking for 'the lost'
- 9-10: • Demanded hospitality
• From the despised: rich tax collector
• Jesus is righting a wrong of that society
• He could have just said a word of healing
• Instead He joined in fellowship with the despised
• "I must": perhaps Jesus anticipated opposition
• He would not give in to the pressure that will come

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Luke 19:1-10

1-2: Setting and characters

3-4: Zacchaeus broke social norms in order to see Jesus

5: Jesus broke social norms in order to be with Zacchaeus

6-7: Reactions to Jesus' action: joy and grumbling

- 8: • Zacchaeus **rejoiced** at Jesus' interest in him
- 9-10: • People **grumbled** that Jesus honored a despised man
• Zacchaeus hadn't yet done anything good except trying to see Jesus
• Somehow they knew and despised Zacchaeus

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5: Jesus broke social norms in order to be with Zacchaeus

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8: Zacchaeus was genuinely transformed

- 9-10: • Untraceable source of unjust wealth
• Give half to the poor
• Traceable fraud
• Pay back 4 times as much
• Like the "pearl of great price" in reverse order
• Having received the most precious gift of life, he gladly gave away his money for Jesus' purposes

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Luke 19:1-10

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9-10: **Jesus' interpretation: this whole package is salvation**

- Transformation is convincing evidence of salvation
 - Because it is an essential part of it
- "Son of Abraham": Zacchaeus has the **family resemblance** of a genuine disciple
- Through Zacchaeus, Jesus fulfilled His anointing

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One day, Jesus read from Isaiah in the synagogue:

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me

to proclaim **good news to the poor.**

He has sent me to proclaim **freedom for the prisoners**

and recovery of **sight for the blind,**

to set the **oppressed free,**

to proclaim the **year of the Lord's favor.**"

Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, "**Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.**"

Luke 4:16-21

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John [the Baptist] said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? **Produce fruit in keeping with repentance.** And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you that out of these stones **God can raise up children for Abraham.** The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not **produce good fruit** will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

Luke 3:7-9

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The Big Idea

Jesus' purpose is

**to rescue the lost, the self-serving,
and the despised**

so they will join His work

**of bringing God's goodness
to the poor and oppressed**

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What might you do with a broken hammer?

What is our intention with a broken body?

What is our intention with a broken relationship?

What is God's intention for whatever is broken?

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Application

Rejoice in the full picture of God's intention for salvation
Rescue

- Jesus said, "Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life." *John 5:24*

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Application

Rejoice in the full picture of God's intention for salvation
Rescue
AND transformation to join the work of God

- "Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the **evidence of the works themselves**. Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me **will do the works I have been doing**, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father." *John 14:11-12*

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Application

Rejoice in the full picture of God's intention for salvation

Join God's work to bring righteousness/justice

- “Be careful not to practice your **righteousness** in front of others to be seen by them” *Matthew 6:1*

Greek: dikaiosune: δικαιοσύνη: **Fair & equitable dealing, justice; Integrity, virtue; Generosity, alms; Piety, godliness**

“In English *justice* emphasizes conformity to society's standards, *righteousness* usually denotes conformity to God's standards or religious norms. However, these distinctions are not helpful when justice and righteousness are used to translate biblical terms...the two English terms are inseparable”

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Application

Rejoice in the full picture of God's intention for salvation

Join God's work to bring righteousness/justice

- “Be careful not to practice your **righteousness** in front of others to be seen by them” *Matthew 6:1*
- Jesus' examples: give to the needy, pray, fast
- Righteousness involves: vertical + horizontal

Genuine conversion in Christ results in good works

- “Make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad, for **a tree is recognized by its fruit.**” *Matthew 12:33*

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Application

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Join God's work to bring righteousness/justice

Genuine conversion in Christ results in good works

Learn to see unrighteousness/injustice

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*John Newton:**A slave trader who became an abolitionist*

In 1748 (age 23), in a storm at sea he started to seek God. At the time, he considered himself to be a Christian. Later on, he doubted that.

1750-1755 was captain of slave ships for 3 voyages.

He saw himself as being sympathetic to the slaves, and he sought to restrain the worst excesses of the slave trade.


In 1788, wrote “Thoughts Upon the African Slave Trade”

He fought against the slave trade through 1807 when the slave trade was abolished

In 1779, wrote “Amazing Grace”

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*John Newton:
A slave trader who became an abolitionist*



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N L
UPON THE
AFRICAN SLAVE TRADE. 7

Perhaps what I have said of myself may be applicable to the nation at large. The Slave Trade was always unjustifiable; but inattention and interest prevented, for a time, the evil from being perceived. It is otherwise

“The Slave Trade was always unjustifiable; but inattention and (self-)interest prevented, for a time, the evil from being perceived.”

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Application

Rejoice in the full picture of God’s intention for salvation
 Join God’s work to bring righteousness/justice
 Genuine conversion in Christ results in good works
 Learn to see unrighteousness/injustice

- Economic, education, opportunity, even life
- Where has my good come at someone else’s loss?
- In what ways might people experience hardship or trouble that they don’t deserve?

“The peoples of all nations”
Race/Ethnicity plus...

– Inattention and self-interest may prevent perception

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Application

Rejoice in the full picture of God’s intention for salvation
 Join God’s work to bring righteousness/justice
 Genuine conversion in Christ results in good works
 Learn to see unrighteousness/injustice
 Pursue righteousness/justice

- “But seek first his kingdom and his **righteousness**, and all these things will be given to you as well.”
Matthew 6:33
- Both spiritual (**vertical, ‘righteousness’**) and “natural” (**horizontal, ‘justice’**)

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Application

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 Join God’s work to bring righteousness/justice
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 Learn to see unrighteousness/injustice
 Pursue righteousness/justice

- Where has wrong been done or is it being done?
 - Speak up. And confess where appropriate

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John Newton

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If I attempt, after what has been done, to throw my mite into the public stock of information, it is less from an apprehension that my interference is necessary, than from a conviction, that silence, at such a time, and on such an occasion, would, in me, be criminal. If my testimony should not be necessary, or

Why Newton wrote: "It is less from an apprehension that my interference is necessary, than from a conviction that silence, at such a time, and on such an occasion, would in me be criminal....I am bound in conscience, to take shame to myself by a public confession, which, however sincere, comes too late to prevent, or repair, the misery and mischief to which I have, formerly, been accessory."

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Application

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Join God's work to bring righteousness/justice

Genuine conversion in Christ results in good works

Learn to see unrighteousness/injustice

Pursue righteousness/justice

– Where has wrong been done or is it being done?

- Speak up. And confess where appropriate
- Work to make things right: untraceable and traceable
- What you confess before God
seek to make right with your hands

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The Big Idea

**Jesus' purpose is
to rescue the lost, the self-serving,
and the despised
so they will join His work
of bringing God's goodness
to the poor and oppressed**

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**More than simply being rescued,
Christ's church is to join God's work
of bringing righteousness/justice
both vertically and horizontally
both proclaiming and bringing
the Lord's favor
to those in distress**

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Lift High the Name of Jesus

Lift high the name of Jesus,
of Jesus our King.
Make known the power of His grace,
the beauty of His peace.

Lift high = Praise
grace = gift of forgiveness and transformation

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Remember how His mercy reached
and we cried out to Him.
He lifted us to solid ground,
to freedom from our sin.

sin = what brings guilt or shame

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Oh, sing, my soul, and tell all He's done
till the earth and heavens
are filled with His glory!

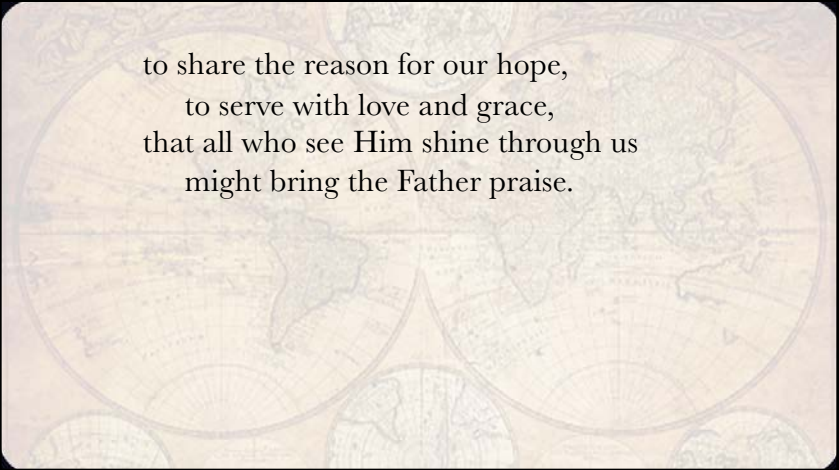
filled with = everyone knows about and rejoices in

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Lift high the name of Jesus,
of Jesus our Lord.
His power in us is greater than,
is greater than this world.

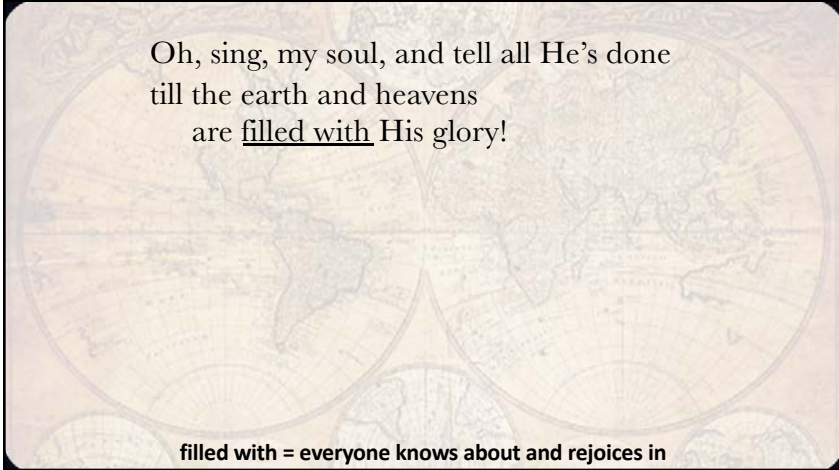
Lift high = Praise
this world = all humans or institutions or spirits or nature

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to share the reason for our hope,
to serve with love and grace,
that all who see Him shine through us
might bring the Father praise.

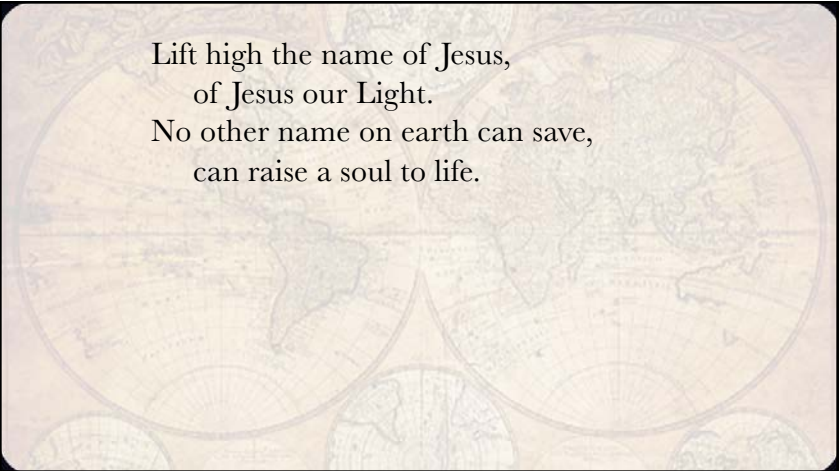
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are filled with His glory!

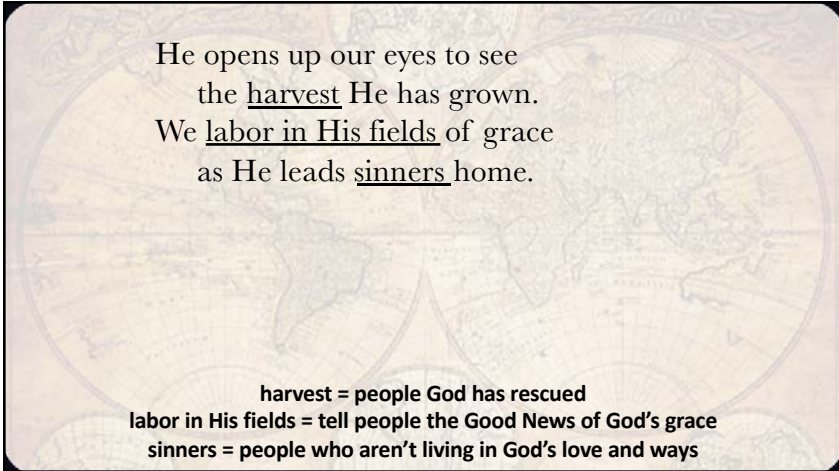
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Lift high the name of Jesus,
of Jesus our Light.
No other name on earth can save,
can raise a soul to life.

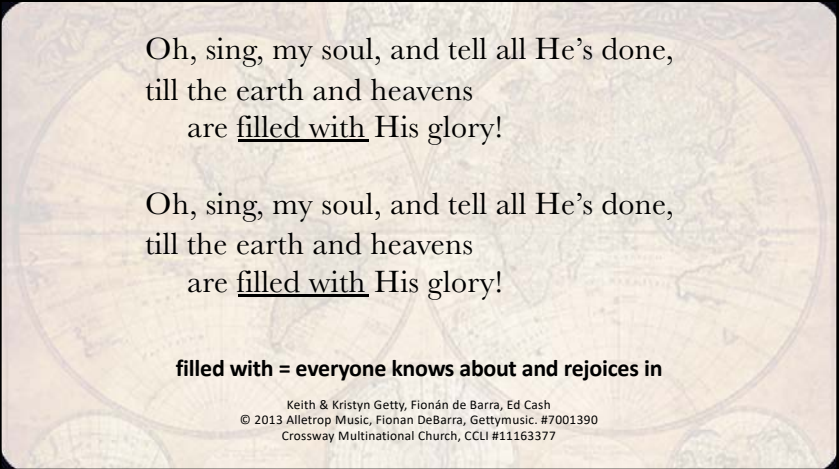
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He opens up our eyes to see
the harvest He has grown.
We labor in His fields of grace
as He leads sinners home.

**harvest = people God has rescued
labor in His fields = tell people the Good News of God's grace
sinners = people who aren't living in God's love and ways**

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