

Crossway  
Multinational  
Church

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I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”  
*Psalm 122:1*

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

October 11, 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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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OCTOBER	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
NOVEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Zoom breakout sessions  
after today's service

Gathering on the Grass, 4:30

Prayer Gathering, 4:30  
Zoom or in-person

Business Meeting → also November 22  
Zoom or in-person

Zoom for Worship Services

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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 ...

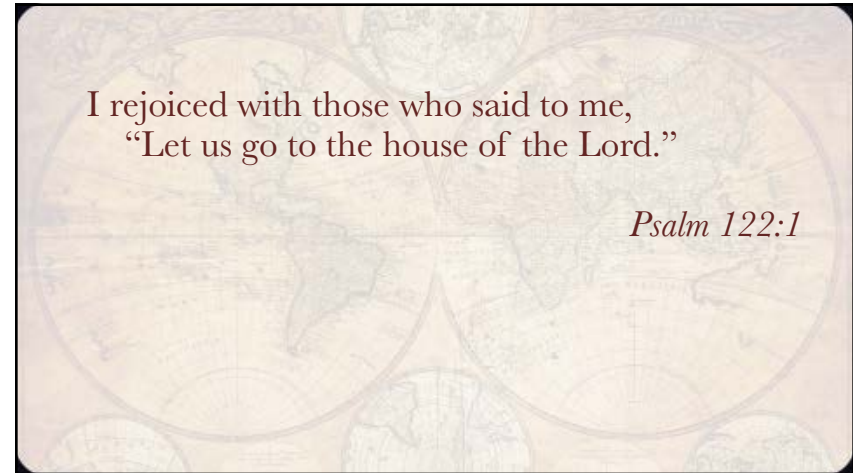
- You went to the Fall Festival last night
- You have a birthday or anniversary in October
- You have been enjoying fall colors!
- You are thankful to be gathered for the worship service today!

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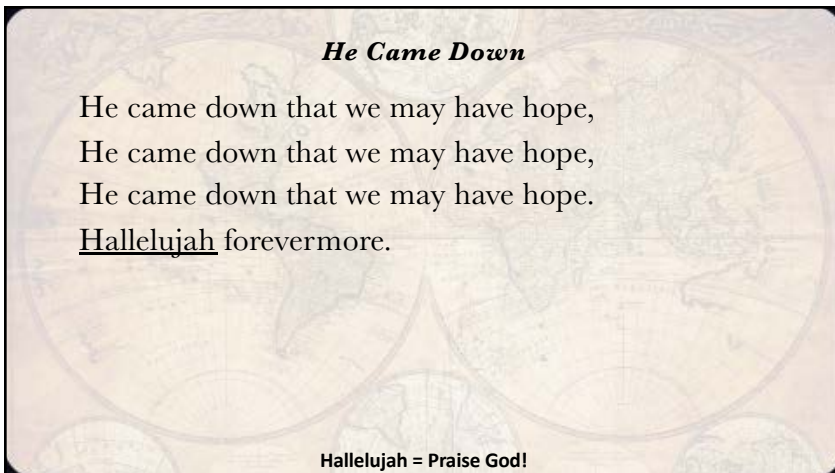


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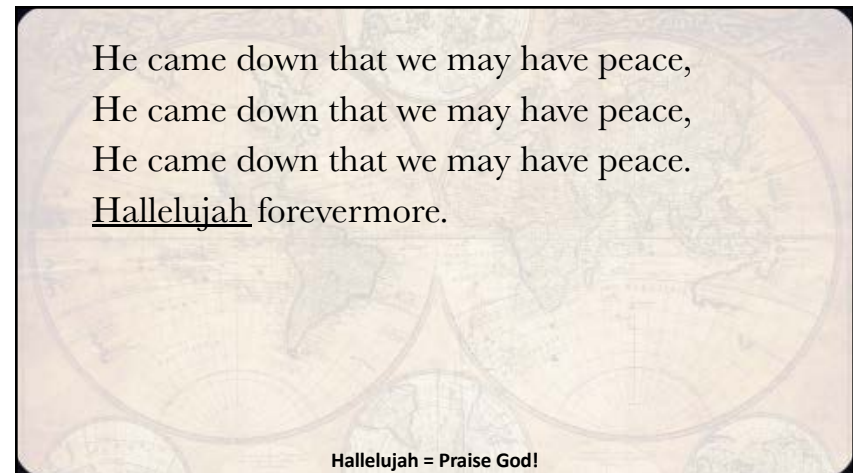
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He came down that we may have joy,  
 He came down that we may have joy,  
 He came down that we may have joy.  
Hallelujah forevermore.

Hallelujah = Praise God!

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He came down that we may have love,  
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He came down that we may have life,  
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Hallelujah = Praise God!

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**Isaiah 61:1-3 | 以赛亚书 61:1-3** (Chinese)  
**The Year of the Lord's Favor**  
 The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me,  
 because the Lord has anointed me  
 to proclaim good news to the poor.

拯救的好消息  
 主耶和华的灵在我身上，  
 因为耶和华用膏膏我，  
 叫我报好信息给贫穷的人，

anointed = dedicated for a purpose  
 proclaim = announce bring about

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He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim freedom for the captives  
and release from darkness for the prisoners,

差遣我医好伤心的人，  
报告被掳的得释放，  
被捆绑的得自由；

**bind up = wrap with bandages**  
**proclaim = announce and bring about**

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to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor  
and the day of vengeance of our God,  
to comfort all who mourn,

宣告耶和华的恩年  
和我们的 神报仇的日子；  
安慰所有悲哀的人，

**proclaim = announce and bring about**  
**the Lord's favor = blessing from God**  
**vengeance = revenge**

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and provide for those who grieve in Zion—  
to bestow on them a crown of beauty  
instead of ashes,  
the oil of joy  
instead of mourning,

为锡安悲哀的人，赐华冠代替灰烬，  
喜乐的油代替悲哀，

**Zion = God's people**  
**bestow = give**

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and a garment of praise  
instead of a spirit of despair.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
a planting of the Lord  
for the display of his splendor.

赞美为衣代替忧伤的灵；  
称他们为“公义树”，  
是耶和華所栽植的，为要彰显他的荣耀。

**garment = clothes**  
**splendor = glory**

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*Beauty for Ashes*

He gave me beauty for ashes  
 The oil of joy for mourning  
 The garment of praise  
for the spirit of heaviness

for = in place of  
 ashes = symbol of shame and mourning  
 garment = clothing  
 heaviness = grief, sadness, despair

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That we might be trees of righteousness  
 The planting of the Lord  
 That He might be glorified

trees of righteousness = fruitful, enduring, and good  
 planting of = bellowing to

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***We Will Feast in the House of Zion***

We will feast in the house of Zion.  
 We will sing with our hearts restored.  
 He has done great things, we will say together.  
 We will feast and weep no more.

**feast = eat a joyful and abundant meal**  
**house of Zion = family of God's people**  
**weep = grieve, mourn**

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We will not be burned by the fire.  
 He is the Lord our God.  
 We are not consumed by the flood.  
upheld, protected, gathered up.

**the fire = destruction, judgment**  
**consumed = completely destroyed**  
**the flood = chaos and trouble**  
**upheld = supported**  
**gathered up = rescued from danger**

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In the dark of night before the dawn  
 my soul, be not afraid  
 for the promised morning, O how long,  
 O God of Jacob, be my strength.

**dark of night** = when there is little hope  
**dawn** = when the sun rises, and hope returns  
**Jacob** = a name for God's people

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Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
 You are the faithful one  
 and from the garden to the grave  
bind us together, bring shalom.

**vow** = firm promise  
**betrayed** = exposed to great harm  
**garden** = Garden of Eden  
**grave** = Jesus' burial place  
**bind** = fasten together as one  
**shalom** = peace

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### **Gracias**

**Spanish**

→ Me has tomado en tus brazos  
*Lord, you took me into your arms*  
 Y me has dado salvación.  
*And you've given me salvation*  
 De tu amor has derramado en mi corazón.  
*In my heart you have poured down Your Love*

**salvation = rescue from guilt and shame**

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→ No sabré agradecerte  
*Lord, I don't know how to thank You*  
 Lo que has hecho por mí.  
*Everything you've done for me*  
 Solo puedo darte ahora mi canción.  
*All I can do now is offer my own song*

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→ Gracias, gracias Señor  
*Thank you, thank you my Lord*  
 Gracias, mi Señor Jesús  
*Thank you from the bottom of my heart*  
 Gracias, gracias Señor  
*Lord, I thank you, thank you dear Lord*  
 Gracias, mi Señor Jesús.  
*Thank you from the bottom of my heart*

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*En la cruz diste tu vida*  
 → At the cross you gave your life for me  
*Entregaste todo allí.*  
 and you gave it all away.  
*Vida eterna regalaste al morir.*  
 When you died You gave eternal life to us all.

English

cross = where Jesus died

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*Por tu sangre tengo entrada*  
 → By Your blood I am set free  
*Ante el trono celestial.*  
 to Your heavenly throne.  
*Puedo entrar confiadamente ante Ti.*  
 I can boldly come before You and adore.

blood = Jesus' death on the cross  
 throne = God's presence

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Spanish

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### Prayer of Confession & Assurance

Do not be anxious about anything,  
but in every situation, by prayer and petition,  
with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.  
And the peace of God, which transcends all  
understanding, will guard your hearts  
and your minds in Christ Jesus.

*Philippians 4:6-7*

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### *The Lord Is My Salvation*

The grace of God has reached for me,  
and pulled me from the raging sea.  
And I am safe on this solid ground:  
The Lord is my salvation.

grace = forgiveness and restoration  
raging sea = dangerous, frightening situation  
solid ground = place of security  
salvation = deliverance

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I will not fear when darkness falls,  
His strength will help me scale these walls.  
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun:  
The Lord is my salvation.

darkness falls = trouble comes  
scale = climb  
walls = despair  
dawn = first light of morning  
salvation = deliverance

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Who is like the Lord our God?  
 Strong to save, faithful in Love.  
 My debt is paid and the victory won:  
 The Lord is my salvation.

**debt = guilt and dishonor before God**  
**salvation = deliverance**

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My hope is hidden in the Lord,  
 He flowers each promise of His Word.  
 When winter fades, I know spring will come:  
 The Lord is my salvation.

**flowers = brings to beauty**  
**spring = time of hope**  
**salvation = deliverance**

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In times of waiting, times of need,  
 When I know loss, when I am weak.  
 I know His grace will renew these days:  
 The Lord is my salvation.

**know = experience**  
**grace = forgiveness**  
**renew = give strength**  
**these days = times of waiting, loss, weakness**  
**salvation = deliverance**

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And when I reach my final day,  
 He will not leave me in the grave.  
 But I will rise, He will call me home:  
 The Lord is my salvation.

final day = day of death  
 rise = live again  
 home = heaven  
 salvation = deliverance

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Glory be to God, the Father,  
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 Glory be to God, the Spirit:  
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salvation = deliverance

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## Prayer of Intercession

“We have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, **but our eyes are on you.**”

2 Chronicles 20:12

“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—**think about such things.**” *Philippians 4:8*

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## Prayer of Intercession

“Praise be to you, Lord, the God of our father Israel,  
from everlasting to everlasting.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness and the power  
and the glory and the majesty and the splendor,  
for everything in heaven and earth is yours.

Yours, Lord, is the kingdom;  
you are exalted as head over all.

Wealth and honor come from you;  
you are the ruler of all things.

In your hands are strength and power  
to exalt and give strength to all.

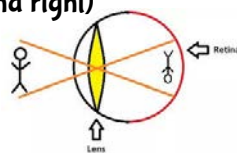
Now, our God, we give you thanks,  
and praise your glorious name.”

*1 Chronicles 29:10-13*

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## When do we see things backwards?

**When do we see things backwards (left and right) or upside down?**



**Sometimes we see life upside—down and backwards  
and we don't even know it!**

**Pray: God, open the eyes of our hearts to see more clearly**

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## Upside Down and Backwards

*Luke 6:17-26*

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Some key things that came before...

**Jesus' first sermon (Luke 4)**

"Unrolling the scroll, Jesus found the place where it is written:

'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 said, 'Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.'"

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**Jesus' first sermon (Luke 4)**

**Jesus chose 12 special followers (Luke 6)**

- After a night full of prayer
- Out of many "disciples" He chose 12 "apostles"
- Then He began to show and to tell them what His Kingdom is like

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**Luke 6:17-19**

He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured, and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

**Tyre and Sidon = cities in a non-Jewish area to the north**

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**Luke 6:20-23**

Looking at his disciples, he said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

Blessed are you who hunger now,  
for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you,  
when they exclude you and insult you  
and reject your name as evil,  
because of the Son of Man.

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

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**Luke 6:24-26**

“But woe to you who are rich,  
 for you have already received your comfort.  
 Woe to you who are well fed now,  
 for you will go hungry.  
 Woe to you who laugh now,  
 for you will mourn and weep.  
 Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you,  
 for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

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**Luke 6:17-26**

**17-19: Jesus taught and healed a great crowd from all over**

- It was a time for miracles
  - Seemingly not continuous miraculous healings
    - This was a special time for it
- Jesus blessed abundantly
  - “Peace” for body, relationships, and soul
- Personal connections (touch him) for miracles
  - Must have been chaotic!
  - Imagine: The joy, dancing, and laughter!
- And teaching

20-21:

22-23:

24-26:

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 for you will laugh.

**Blessed = those who are in the loving attention of God**  
**Whether or not it seems like it today**  
**God's good cannot fail to prevail for them!**

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“On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare  
 a feast of rich food for all peoples,  
 a banquet of aged wine—  
 the best of meats and the finest of wines.

On this mountain he will destroy  
 the shroud that enfolds all peoples,  
 the sheet that covers all nations;  
 he will swallow up death forever.”

*Isaiah 25:6-8*

**Feast: Metaphor for joy and blessing and abundance**  
**Blessed are you who hunger, for you will be satisfied**

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**Luke 6:17-26**

17-19: Jesus taught and healed a great crowd from all over

20-21: Jesus taught: Who is in the favor of God? (part 1)

- Favor: God’s loving and action-filled attention
- Those in Christ who know their deep need for God’s blessing
  - No dichotomy between physical and non-physical poverty, hunger or grief
  - Includes every lack: money, food, relationships, health, psychology, spiritual, ...
- The Kingdom of God is far more blessing

22-23: than anything someone might lack, and it is yours!

24-26: • Though not experiencing it all yet...

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22-23: Jesus taught: Who is in the favor of God? (part 2)

- Those who experience rejection **because of** their connection with Jesus → **great reward** in heaven
  - Special status (like the prophets)
  - “Leap for joy!” → not merely “comfort”
  - Can be misapplied → martyr complex
  - Certainly this fit Jesus, and Paul, and Peter, and so many others in the history of Christianity

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 for you have already received your comfort.  
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- Not in God’s loving and action-filled attention
- Who is the audience?
  - No change, so maybe “wealthy” disciples and seekers
- “Woe!” is not judgment → an invitation to change
- Exactly the opposite of the blessings
- This message is part of the reason for opposition
  - Particularly for religious people who find their identity in their visible power, wealth, health, and success

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- Problem is not wealth now but...
  - Gathering wealth unjustly: Zacchaeus
  - Keeping wealth ungenerously: rich man (& Lazarus)
  - Laughter: callousness to the trouble of others
    - Especially when it is in our power to act
  - Finding our “blessedness” in our wealth, comfort, laughter, and approval in the present age
    - Will miss out in the glorious age of God!

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**Luke 6:17-26**

17-19: Jesus taught and healed a great crowd from all over

20-21: Jesus taught: Blessed are the poor

22-23: → In the loving and action-filled attention of God

24-26: Jesus taught: Woe to the rich

→ Not in the loving and action-filled attention of God

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*The Big Idea*

**Those in Christ  
who find their blessing in God  
experience present and future joy  
in His overwhelmingly generous hand**

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*Notes*

Blessedness is for those who are “in Christ”

- Not a statement about every person who has trouble
- Not a glorification of trouble or lack (the troubles will go away in the Kingdom of God)

Spiritual & practical help: a divine combination!

- What Jesus did: teaching & miracles for human needs
- A great model for church ministry!
  - Whether practical help is miraculous or not...
- Would likely lead to the same three groups in the church
  - Both disciples and people who initially come because of the good they see and experience

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*Application*

Where you **lack**...find your blessedness in Jesus

- Believe Jesus: This is His claim about the world
- Believe **in** Jesus: It happens in the person and work of Jesus
- **He really meant what He said**
  - **Blessed** are God's people who are poor (in any way), hungry, weeping, or experiencing hardship in Jesus
  - In a way that goes far beyond earthly wealth
    - eternal weight of glory that far outweighs all temporary wealth
  - Such joy I lose daily because I think my **small lack** prevents my experiencing God's joy → actually an opportunity for joy!

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**Gospel Thinking**

Our greatest poverty is being separated from God because of our own sin

- There is nothing I could ever do to fix that problem!

God gave His wealth (Jesus) to bless His enemies (us)

- So I would stop being the enemy of God
- So I would become a cherished child of God!

Since He eagerly paid the highest price for my greatest lack, why in the world would He hold back anything else?

So if you lack...find your blessedness in Jesus!

- Jesus: “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink.”

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**Application**

Where you **lack**...find your blessedness in Jesus

- Blessings now
  - Spirit and worship and hearing His Word
  - Every gift we have received: life, relationships, food, shelter, ...
  - Every lack is a reminder of our limitless riches in Christ!
 

“Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.” 2 Corinthians 4:16-17
- and **blessings** in the coming Kingdom of God
  - Dancing and laughter
  - Uncontainable joy in the abundant love of God!

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**Application**

Where you **lack**...find your blessedness in Jesus

Where you **have**...find your blessedness in Jesus

- Jesus said,
  - “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of **greed**; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.”

Luke 12:15

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**A great danger** of earthly blessings (money, things, relationships, physical health and ability, emotional strength, success, ...)

- Thinking my blessedness is in earthly blessings
- Distraction from being rich toward God
- Earthly blessings will always disappoint & go away → angst

**Be on your guard!**



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*Application*

Where you **lack**...find your blessedness in Jesus  
 Where you **have**...find your blessedness in Jesus

- Jesus said,  
 “Watch out! Be on your guard  
 against all kinds of **greed**;  
 life does not consist in an abundance of  
 possessions.”

*Luke 12:15*

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*Application*

Where you **lack**...find your blessedness in Jesus  
 Where you **have**...find your blessedness in Jesus  
 Where you **have**...bless others

- Use your blessings (physical, spiritual, emotional,  
 relational) to bless others
- Freely you received, now freely give in joy!
  - What Jesus did (miracles) and called His disciples to do
  - What Zacchaeus did and what the rich man did not do
  - What the early church did, and Christ-like churches

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- What Jesus did miraculously (feeding, healing)  
 was a first step (down payment)  
 of complete fulfillment to come in His Kingdom
- The church should be a community and an instrument  
 for increasing holiness, justice, love, and mercy
- A down payment & initial taste of what is coming!
  - To say a blessing to the poor  
 and then not do anything to help them is offensive to  
 Jesus!

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**A Gospel-centered view of “bringing justice to the nations” (Isaiah 42:1)**

<b>Holy God</b>	Entirely good = <b>holy, just, loving, and merciful</b>	<b>God's holistic plan for us too!</b>
<b>Sinful people</b>	A mixture of good (HJLM) and not good. → every person and every organization	<b>Christians and the Church must constantly repent and reform</b>
<b>Jesus' victorious death</b>	Took the effects of sin on Himself (poverty), to give us His riches	<b>Point everyone to Jesus Love others as Jesus loved</b>
<b>Blessing by faith in Jesus alone</b>	We enter the goodness of God by faith in Christ alone We don't need human goodness to have the full blessing and goodness of God Nothing and no one can separate people in Christ from the love of God	<b>Offer this to others too</b>
<b>To be like Jesus</b>	By the power of the Spirit, bring good (HJLM) to all people in head, heart, and hands For every individual & in every organization/policy/practice we can touch (salty salt)	
<b>Until Jesus comes again</b>	The complete expression of God's goodness only comes when He returns	<b>Keep pointing ourselves &amp; others to this one true Hope!</b>

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*Application*

Blessed are the poor.  
 Woe to the rich.  
 Where you **lack**...find your blessedness in Jesus  
 Where you **have**...find your blessedness in Jesus  
 Where you **have**...bless others

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*The Big Idea*

**Those in Christ**  
**who find their blessing in God**  
**experience present and future joy**  
**in His overwhelmingly generous hand**

**Woe to those who find their "blessedness" anywhere else!**  
**→ It is a good thing to fling away lesser gods while blessing**

**Invitation to be in God's loving and action-filled attention**  
**→ Rejoice in Christ, both now and forever**

**Invitation to be like God: loving and action-filled attention**  
**→ Across differences and in the midst of brokenness**

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***My Worth is Not in What I Own***

My worth is not in what I own  
 not in the strength of flesh and bone  
 But in the costly wounds of love at the cross

flesh and bone = physical bodies  
 cross = where Jesus died

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My worth is not in skill or name  
 in win or lose, in pride or shame  
 But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

name = reputation, popularity  
 blood of Christ = Jesus' death for us

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I rejoice in my Redeemer  
 Greatest treasure, Wellspring of my soul  
 I will trust in Him, no other  
 My soul is satisfied in Him alone

Redeemer = Rescuer (Jesus)  
 Wellspring of my soul = abundant source of goodness  
 satisfied = pleased, complete

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As summer flowers we fade and die  
 Fame, youth, and beauty hurry by  
 But life eternal calls to us at the cross

cross = where Jesus died

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I will not boast in wealth or might  
 or human wisdom's fleeting light  
 But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross

fleeting = temporary  
 cross = where Jesus died

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Two wonders here that I confess  
 My worth and my unworthiness  
 My value fixed, my ransom paid at the cross

**confess = admit with humility**  
**fixed = determined**  
**ransom = Jesus' death to cover our sin and shame**

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